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Czechs see hope of a compromise

By Paul Wohl
Written for The Christian Science Monitor

On the basis of fragmentary reports coming out of Moscow Monday the Soviet Union's Czechoslovak coup could end with a compromise under which Warsaw Pact forces will be withdrawn from the occupied country.

Four days of secret talks in the Soviet capital have been conducted between the Czech "delegation" headed by President Svoboda and the kidnaped Czech leaders, on the one hand, and the leaders of the Soviet Union and other Warsaw Pact countries on the other.

All conditions of the reported agreement were not known as of this writing. According to one report, some Warsaw Pact forces will remain "temporarily" in Czechoslovakia until "the constitutional government is consolidated." This is supposed to be between two weeks and two months.

The Czechs in turn are said to have pledged that their press will be placed under control and that they will prevent the publication of articles criticizing their orthodox Communist "allies."

Considering the balance of forces in Eastern Europe the reported compromise appears to be not so punitive as once appeared likely. It could cost the Soviets more in the long run than the Czechs.

If the agreement is confirmed nothing will remain of Pravda's exaggerated claims that the Czech party was being turned into "an amorphous, ineffectual organization," that "even among members of the Presidium of the party there were people who took an open stand against Leninist principles."

The ominous accusation of treason against party leader Alexander Dubcek will apparently be dropped.

It is true that control of the Czech press, radio, and TV has been from the start Moscow's principal objective. But the Soviets also claimed that the Czech leaders had shown themselves incapable of exercising control.

If indeed they have come to terms with Mr. Dubcek

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FOCUS on arts-entertainment

What's ahead . . .

Russian tanks will not prevent three Czech films appearing in the Sixth Annual New York Film Festival next month.

The three entries reached the organizers before the invasion. One of them, "The Fireman's Ball," is by Milos Forman, director of "Loves of a Blonde" which opened the festival two years ago.

Other outstanding directors who will be represented this year include: Orson Welles with "Immortal Story"; Norman Mailer with "Beyond the Law"; Claude Chabrol with "Les Biches"; plus Jean-Luc Godard, Robert Bresson, and Bernardo Bertolucci.

In all, 24 films will be screened from Sept. 17 to 27. Several are by aspiring young filmmakers. They hope to follow in the paths of those who, like Milos Forman, have found the festival a doorway to international acclaim.

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Venice, whose "Biennale" was troubled by youthful protest, is to be a center for discussion of, appropriately, student protest movements and the youth revolt.

Besides concerning itself with the arts, the tenth International Course of High Culture will look into problems of young people in an industrial society, the generation gap, racial tensions, protests, and the like.

From Sept. 7 to 28, some 33 professors from Italy, France, Germany, Spain, England, the United States, and Canada will come to Venice's Fondazione Giorgio Cini to lecture and debate.

International festivals of contemporary art, theater, and music will be taking place at the same time. Altogether, these could make for a lively mixture.

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For those Americans who did not get to the Venice Biennale, the National Collection of Fine Arts offers compensation.

An exhibition of the art America sent to the vexed Biennale opens Dec. 19 at the collection's new home in Washington, D.C. In addition, the NCFA will mount the first major showing of its own origination—a Charles Sheeler retrospective, opening Oct. 10.

The Sheeler exhibition will include 135 paintings and drawings and 35 photographs.

At a time of urban upheaval, Sheeler's "precisionist" approach to the industrialized landscape of his native America is particularly pertinent.

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Broadway's fall season promises plenty of new musicals, but none of them "rock."

Current rock musicals "Hair" and "Your Own Thing" might seem to point a fresh direction for American musical comedy. But all seven new musicals that have so far booked theaters for next season are of the more standard variety.

Not that they are any less promising. Less than half this number were confirmed at the same time last year.

New dramas and comedies have been a little slower in coming. And documentary theater will be represented with the belated arrival—at the Lincoln Center—of a play about the late Nobel Prize-winning physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer.

Trends . . .

London Bridge is not the only sizable construction being shifted to a new site (Arizona).

In the art world a number of outsize moves currently are in hand.

The Temple of Dendur has just arrived in New York City from Egypt. Given to the United States as thanks for assistance in the preservation of the Abu Simbel monuments, the temple is to be reassembled at the Metropolitan Museum in New York.

Then there is New York's ANTA-Washington Square Theater. The 1,145-seat theater has been dismantled and put in storage. Later it will be reassembled in Providence to house Rhode Island's Trinity Square Repertory Company.

A less final move is the Italian Government's loan of 70 frescoes to the Metropolitan Museum. These will form an unprecedented exhibition there, beginning at the end of September.

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Private users are catching up with the taped "museum guided tour."

One tape recorder enthusiast says he has taped the complicated travel directions to his remote summer home. When preparing them he found that he was elaborating on right and left turns with comments and historical notes. For visitors following the taped instructions it is like meeting their host early and being led personally past unfamiliar landmarks.

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Erwin D. Canham says Senator McCarthy and his friends must make the decision which could settle the election — will there be a peace party?

Editorial page

Richard L. Strout asks whether news media are themselves 'inciting to violence.' He says the mildest parade of young people brings a TV camera crew like a hook-and-ladder truck to a three-alarm fire.

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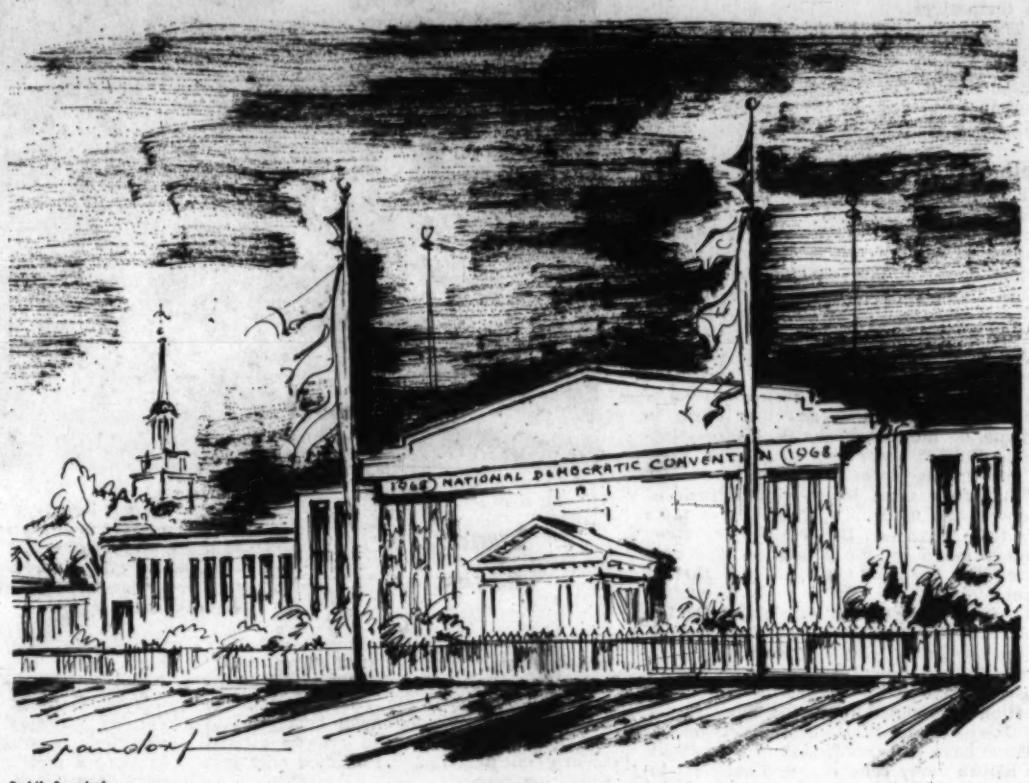

By Lily Spandorf

Convention hall, Chicago: calm façade, bristling atmosphere

LBJ legacy: half-finished social reforms and war

By Saville R. Davis
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Chicago

The legacy of Lyndon Johnson to the next president of the United States is a half-finished social revolution and quite possibly a half-finished war.

It is this incomplete quality of what he will bequeath next January that makes it so hard for Democrats as well as Republicans to judge. The prize being fought over here at Chicago and earlier at the GOP convention at Miami, is the right to say how the great changes under Johnson will be consolidated.

In a bemused moment one of the President's closest friends said, "The problem with Lyndon is that he would accept any legislation—or almost any—to get one of his big programs on the books. He would say, 'We'll finish it next year. The important thing is to get going.'

"I often differed with him strongly on this. He would grit his teeth at bills that Congress had mauled in a tearing feud between the left and the right. Although they were sometimes barely recognizable, he'd sign them.

"But I often wondered and still do. Maybe he was right."

In many cases "next year" never came for Lyndon Johnson.

Some minor improvements were made, and some major ones. But he lost control of Congress at the midterm election and that cost him the power to shape the Johnson revolution as he would have wished. The tragedy of this man who presided over one of the great turning points in American history—agree or disagree with its direction—is that it lies about him in half-built fragments as he prepares to hand it over to one of two men. Not only are laws incomplete but the administrative machinery to handle such vast changes and extensions of federal activity are greatly overloaded, badly organized to meet the new needs, and dizzily sagging.

The Democrat would carry the revolution further and try to make it seaworthy, to batten down the hatches. The Republican would hone and moderate it, check its pell-mell rush, and try, at least, to turn more of it over to the states.

But if there were elements of tragedy, Mr. Johnson had victories on the heroic scale.

One of the most boring moments for John-

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V-P soundings favor McCarthy

A Monitor survey of all 50 states finds a Humphrey-McCarthy combine would top the Nixon-Agnew ticket by a wide margin.

By Godfrey Sperling Jr.
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Chicago

Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy would probably be Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey's strongest running mate, a state by state assessment by writers for The Christian Science Monitor discloses.

Significantly, the pairing of several possible vice-presidential candidates with Mr. Humphrey against the Nixon-Agnew ticket shows that the adding of Gov. Spiro T. Agnew as a running mate tended to hurt the effort of Richard M. Nixon to win the presidency, in line with much public speculation since the Republican nominating convention.

A Humphrey-McCarthy ticket, according to this appraisal, would win 21 states plus the District of Columbia, picking up most of the big, industrial states and ending up with a total of 299 electoral votes (270 needed to win).

In this race, the Nixon-Agnew slate was given 19 states with 113 electoral votes.

This newspaper paired five possible vice-presidential candidates with Mr. Humphrey against the GOP ticket—Senator McCarthy, R. Sargent Shriver, Gov. Richard J. Hughes, Sen. George McGovern, and Mayor Joseph L. Alioto of San Francisco.

A Humphrey-Shriver team was given

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When race issue cuts two ways

In a year when political loyalties seem to be shifting from old moorings in the South, the black vote is both vital and elusive.

By Richard L. Strout
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Chicago

This convention is meeting the integration problem head on. In a year in which race may be a leading, concealed issue the Democrats' decision has incalculable consequences.

There are an estimated 6 to 7 million registered Negro voters in the United States, and they are important in some big cities. In 1964, all but 6 to 9 percent of the Negroes voted Democratic, it is estimated. Here at Chicago party leaders hopefully expect to get a large proportion again this year.

But with the racial issue not far beneath the surface the Democrats may lose their ancient ally, the South. They might also alienate blue-collar and low-income white votes as a sequel to riots and Negro militancy. These income groups have been part of the Democratic coalition in the past.

The credentials committee has written Act 2 on the Mississippi delegation drama which began at Atlantic City four years ago. By overwhelming vote it threw out the regular Mississippi delegation and seated the fully integrated delegation, risking what could be a bitter floor fight.

It also split the votes of the Georgia delegation, 50-50 between segregationist Gov. Lester Maddox's group and the fully integrated group led by Negro state legislator Julian Bond.

In a year in which political loyalties seem shifting from old moorings in the South

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Is it sewed up?

By a staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Chicago

There may be a hole in the bottom of the bag Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey thinks he has this Democratic convention sewed up in.

Chicago is flooded with stories that Democratic leaders may ditch Mr. Humphrey, fearing that he cannot be elected.

The stories are sharply discounted, but they have produced nervous undercover maneuvering. As for Mr. Humphrey, he talks as confidently as ever both of nomination and election.

Failure of Mayor Richard J. Daley

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How much can Czechs save?

By Eric Bourne
Special correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Prague (delayed)

A sunny Supday — ironically the finest weather of this unhappy August—brought new tensions and more shooting, but no sign of wavering in this fantastic Czech resistance, and no sign that the Russians are any nearer their objectives than when they marched in and occupied the country five days previously.

From Moscow, where President Svoboda is talking with the Russian leaders, reports of any substance are lacking and certainly indicated at this writing only that the talks are continuing.

That at least is a sign that the Russians are still getting nowhere and that increasingly they are facing only two alternatives, neither of real political gain nor advantage to themselves.

They can decide to cut their losses and pull out. Or—the only alternative—they can take drastic, ruthless measures to crush resistance and clamp on a total occupation regime to hold down the country with or without a Quisling administration.

Setback indicated

Either way, the setback to their political, moral, and international prestige will be large. They would reap small credit for pulling back from an international crime before it was quite completed. And, if they adopt the second grim alternative, their international movement could be shattered for an indefinite period.

Amid the welter of clandestine radio reporting, it is difficult to sift fact from hopeful thinking. Reports that the restoration of freedom of movement and the return to Prague of the Czechoslovak leader Alexander Dubcek were imminent have yet—at this writing—to be confirmed.

What does seem likely—since President Svoboda had made a precondition of talks—is that Alexander Dubcek and the other leaders taken by the Russians have now joined the Svoboda team to take part in them.

Weekend reports that the leaders of the other four Warsaw Pact countries engaged in the occupation—Poland, East Germany, Hungary, and Romania—were expected in Moscow to take part recalled the Bratislava meeting summoned after the Soviets and the Czechs reached their Cierna agreement.

There have been conflicting reports about the Slovak party congress, originally set to open Aug. 26. The latest said that Mr. Dubcek had urged delay in order not to prejudice the Moscow negotiations, just as another message from Moscow attributed to President Svoboda urged public calm so as not to disturb the hopeful atmosphere into which, he seemed to hint, the talks were now entering.

In this uncertain atmosphere of dilemma and delay, tension here flared up repeatedly over the weekend. Several times—with Russian soldiers obviously irritated near to breaking point by the open hostility and derision exhibited by the crowds around them — an ugly incident seemed only just round the corner.

On Wenceslas Square — which could not look more like a battlefield, with the tanks standing amid the debris of demolition and construction of an underground railway—the soldiers tried, gently enough at first, to press the crowds back. But to no avail.

They revved up the engines of their tanks to throw off dense clouds of evil smelling smoke, but nobody moved. They rolled the tanks to and fro across the road and the crowds perforce fell back. But as soon as the tanks stopped, they moved up close again. Finally the soldiers fired automatic bursts over their heads, which was enough to move the crowds. Then a new wave of resentment would begin to well up.

Guard still heavy

Some of the military hardware has been moved to the outskirts of the city. But the major centers—like the Old Town Square where Czechs had blindfolded the eyes of the statue of Jan Huss on his massive plinth and put a black and Czech flag in his hands—and the main bridges, government buildings, the post, and the radio are still held under a bristling guard.

The nights are disturbed by shooting after the 10 o'clock curfew falls and almost all of Prague dowses its lights to create an atmosphere of the wartime blackouts. People report that in the suburbs shooting without warning has increased. Three incidents Saturday night included two men reportedly shot dead in a car which failed to stop, a motorcyclist likewise, and shots fired on a Czech police car.

Prague is a city of a million people—and a million posters. All over the city windows of houses and shops, walls, police boxes, white traffic lines on the roads—anything which can be daubed on—are covered with "go home" and more pungent slogans. The word neutrality is everywhere.

Posters torn down, replaced

All through the night, Russian soldiers tore posters down, though they left pictures of Messrs. Svoboda and Dubcek alone. Sunday morning more quickly took their place. A Russian officer used a loud-speaker with a mixture of demands and appeals to the crowds to take the hostile inscriptions down.

The crowd drowned out his voice with sustained shrill whistling and banging on anything metal handy. Bus drivers and a police driver added their klaxons to the cacophony.

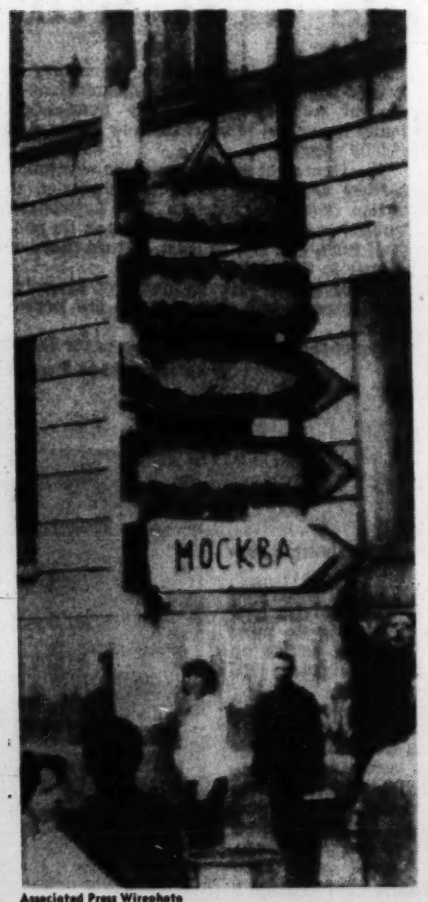
The Russians stop Czech cars now to confiscate newspapers—all printed underground — and leaflets. They are trying to explain themselves with leaflets dropped from cruising scout cars and from helicopters. But no one picks them up—except to burn them.

Prague springtime days of hope are — temporarily at least—over. But the days of contempt will go on as long as the Russian soldiers are here.

Associated Press Wirephoto

Prague citizens look over damaged buildings here in a street near the radio station. Soviet military authorities had cordoned off the area after fighting there on the first day of the occupation last week. They lifted the cordon over the weekend.

A sad survey



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Go-home hint

Road signs are blacked out in the center of Prague, but young Czechs posted the direction Mockba (Moscow) for the benefit of Soviet soldiers occupying the city.

Ocean A-arms bases studied

By the Associated Press

United Nations, N.Y.

A United Nations study spotlights the possibility that the big powers some day may hide nuclear-missile bases on the bottom of the ocean unless something is done to stop them.

Since the ocean is opaque, it says, "the subsurface ocean and the ocean floor offer one specific advantage in comparison with land-based installations—that of improved concealment. Satellite surveillance is less effective.

"Nuclear-weapon powers might, it is thought, find it desirable to replace land-based missiles with seabed bases or silos."

Besides making for better concealment, "such a shift might decrease the consequences to a nation and its population of a nuclear strike against the missile force," the document says.

The study is titled, "The Military Uses of the Seabed and the Ocean Floor." The UN Secretariat prepared it on the basis of published material on the subject.

The UN Special Committee on the Peaceful Uses of the Seabed and the Ocean Floor is taking up the paper at an 11-day session in Rio de Janeiro.

The committee is concerned only with the bottom of the seas and oceans beyond the limits of national jurisdiction.

The secretariat study indicates that not even that deep-down area is likely to remain immune from the arms race unless international action is taken to make it so.

"The old idea of underwater cities is no longer considered as mere science fiction," it says, "although it is recognized that considerable development will be needed for its implementation.

"A logistic possibility . . . sometimes discussed . . . is that of seabed bases for nuclear submarines. Such bases could extend the time that a submarine may spend under water, and thus improve the possibilities of concealed operation."

Auto shift

By the Associated Press

Frankfort, Ky.

The state finance department is making all 120 agencies buy their own automobiles instead of leasing them yearly from a highway department motor pool.

The news — briefly

International . . .

Belgrade

An authoritative Yugoslav source said Monday Yugoslav forces were on the move "along the border," apparently meaning the Hungarian, Romanian, and Bulgarian frontiers.

A source from Bucarest, Romania, said Aug. 25 that Romanian troops were also moving alongside the Hungarian, Bulgarian, and Soviet borders following reports of Soviet Army-unit movements near the Soviet-Romanian border.

The people of Prague staged a 15-minute general strike Monday in protest against the occupation of their country by Warsaw Pact troops.

Bucharest

The Romanian Government is reported to have demanded "firm guarantees" from the Soviet Union and other Warsaw Pact members that this independence-minded country will not be invaded like Czechoslovakia.

Authoritative sources said the regime of President Nicola Ceausescu has made it clear that an invasion would be considered an act of war with the gravest consequences. News of the move came after Mr. Ceausescu returned from a conference Aug. 24 with President Tito of Yugoslavia.

Saigon

South Vietnamese militiamen, besieged in the border camp of Duc Lap during four days of heavy fighting, gave chase Monday to withdrawing North Vietnamese troops and reported finding 628 casualties.

An estimated 1,500 militiamen and their United States advisers were under rocket and morter attacks and held off 3,000 North Vietnamese in hand-to-hand fighting at Duc Lap Camp, three miles from the Cambodian border.

Cairo

Five of 54 persons accused of plotting to overthrow the Egyptian Government by force were sentenced to hard labor for life by a revolutionary tribunal.

The five are Shams Badran,, former War Minister, Abbas Radwan, former secretary general of the Arab Socialist Union, Slah Nasr, former chief of the intelligence service, retired Lt. Col. Galal El Haridi, and retired Maj. Gen. Osman Nassar.

Vienna

More than 30 Czechoslovak writers, scientists, and intellectuals met Monday and issued a manifesto condemning the Warsaw Pact occupation of their homelands as an international crime.

Signatories included film director Milos Forman, writer Jiri Mucha, Prof. Jindrich Srvmal, president of the college of philosophy at the Czechoslovak Academy of Sciences; philosopher Ivan Svitak, and Antonin Petrina, a leading foreign-policy commentator of the Czechoslovak Communist Party organ Rude Pravo.

United Nations, N.Y.

United Nations Secretary General U Thant has sent one of his most senior aides to Algiers in a further bid to secure release of an Israeli airliner hijacked last month.

Prague

Three armed Soviet soldiers entered the U.S. Embassy grounds Sunday but reluctantly obeyed Ambassador Jacob Beam's order to leave.

Mr. Beam ordered the American flag hoisted after the Russians were spotted picking apples in the Embassy garden and then climbing to a lookout tower on top of a summer house in the garden.

Buenos Aires

President Onganía has removed the commanders in chief of the three armed forces in what was described as a "presidential coup d'état."

General Onganía gave the Army, Navy, and Air Force commanders in chief—Gen. Julion Alsogaray, Rear Adm. Benigno Varela, and Brig. Teodoro Alvarez—until Oct. 4 to vacate their posts.

In their place he named right-wing Gen. Alejandro Lanusse to take over the Army, Brig. Jorge Martinez Zubiria—another right-winger—to head the Air Force, and middle-of-the-road Adm. Jose Knavi to head the Navy.

United States . . .

Princeton, N.J.

Two public-opinion polls boosted Richard M. Nixon's bid for the presidency. A Gallup poll released Sunday reported that by a 2-to-1 margin Americans said Mr. Nixon could do a better job of dealing with the Vietnam war than could Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey. In a statewide poll conducted by the Minneapolis Tribune, 45 percent of Minnesotans interviewed preferred Mr. Nixon and 40 percent favored Mr. Humphrey. Others supported George C. Wallace or were uncommitted.

Washington

Three Washington-area country clubs dropped out of a women's tennis league when a Negro, Mrs. Carl Rowan, joined a competing team, the Washington Post said Monday. The Washington newspaper quoted Mrs. Helen Yanowitz, captain of Mrs. Rowan's team, as saying, "The inference is that because Mrs. Rowan is a Negro they won't play."

Washington

Army doctors reported Monday that former President Eisenhower remains in critical condition. Doctors said, however, that General Eisenhower "continues to rest comfortably."

Memphis

Memphis police modified their previous "go-easy" philosophy on racial disorders after an officer was wounded in racial disturbances over the weekend. Previous orders stressed the use of billy clubs and disabling gas. Saturday Police Chief Henry Lux said, "We are serving notice on those who would snipe at a policeman that we are well armed and prepared to return fire without hesitation."

In Evansville, Ind., the City Council Sunday ordered retention of a dusk-to-dawn curfew after three nights of scattered disorders.

Manhattan, Kansas

The National Student Association's 21st congress ended on a note of moderation. The new president of the NSA, Robert Powell of Thomasville, N.C., defeated Paul Soglin, a graduate student at the University of Wisconsin, who took a more radical line than Mr. Powell.

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Hungary foils Czech tourists

By Reuters

Belgrade

Tens of thousands of Czechoslovak vacationers are stranded in Yugoslavia after Hungary refused to allow them to pass through on their way home, a Czechoslovak Embassy official said.

The official said between 50,000 and 60,000 Czechoslovaks were on vacation in Yugoslavia when Warsaw Pact troops occupied their country last week.

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★Impact of LBJ legacy

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son watchers at the White House is when the President starts to list his achievements. He does it with zest and does it continually. "I am an optimist," he correctly told his alma mater this past weekend, forecasting that the "Johnson list" would be rehearsed like a well-used tape during the fall campaign. Reporters groan partly because they could recite it by heart, and partly because the list cannot define the actual situation.

Pleas to Congress recalled

Lyndon Johnson begged Congress to revise the welfare system, but it would not. He implored the states to set up the kinds of local agencies that could handle the nation's big new social programs effectively, but they probably could not, in a hurry at least. His concept of "federal-state partnership"—a phrase used by candidate Richard M. Nixon in his acceptance speech—languished.

But hold on. This is the beginning of a long reporter's list of shortcomings, and it is as vulnerable and inadequate as the President's list.

The plain fact is that the Johnson legacy to the next president is so crowded with domestic legislation of the highest level of importance that memory is a very faulty device for trying to appraise it. The issues of the Vietnam war, frustrating and hotly debated as they are, are comparatively clear by contrast with the domestic picture.

Some of the new programs, like consumer legislation, were diluted in the earlier Johnson years and improved substantially—as with the truth-in-lending law—in 1968. Some, like the awkward formation of the new Department of Transportation and the highway safety laws, wound up with the huge highway-financing bill last week that Mr. Johnson had to force himself to sign. Once again he said that "next year" the damage to conservation that was built into the bill could be corrected. Other programs, like water pollution, ended up with more money than the administration asked, but with some serious problems to be solved.

Laws enmeshed in 'revolt'

Still others, like the poverty legislation, ran headlong into a period of riots and a rush of Congress to pass riot-control laws. Or the civil-rights laws, epic in their historic magnitude, became enmeshed in domestic revolt and the backlash that it generated.

The ghettos found Congress reluctant; crime laws were important but flawed. Social security went up in a balloon ascension despite the Vietnam war, in a politically minded year.

Etc., etc., etc. Now is when the reader is in danger of becoming bored.

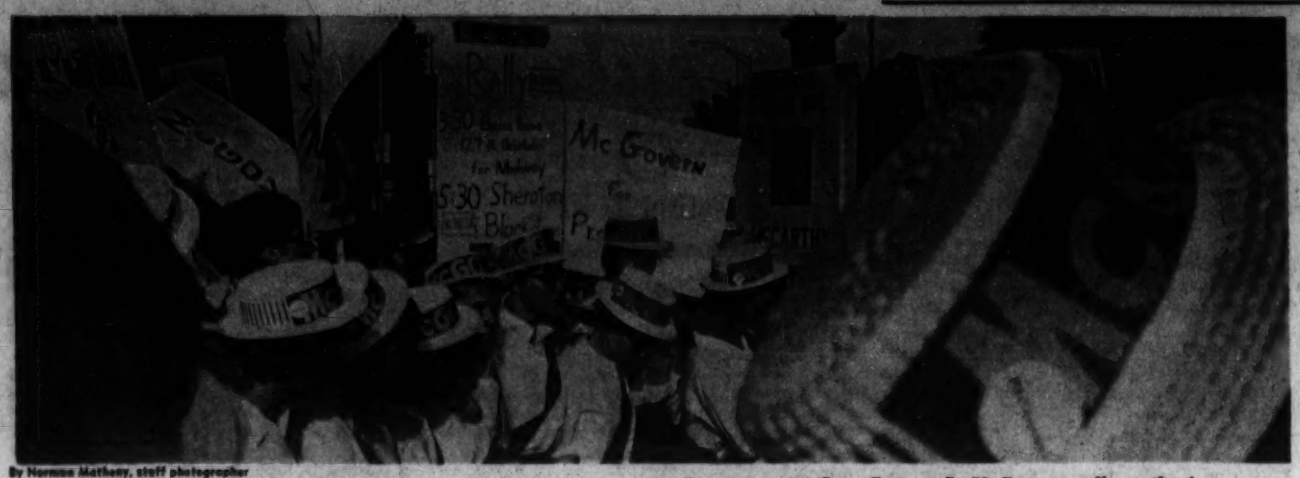
No brief list can do justice to the swamps, both legislative and in administration, the Great Society ran into. But no brief list can begin to do justice to its wholly extraordinary scope.

The reporter, sitting at the Democratic convention and focusing on the Johnson inheritance that is being handed on, here or at Miami, can only recommend to the reader that there is a way to make up his own mind by the same process that a careful reporter goes through. It is at once stimulating and chastening.

Picture brought up to date

In volumes XXII and XXIII of the Congressional Quarterly's Almanac for the second session of the 89th Congress and the first session of the 90th, a quick look at the index will lead to the sections where what Congress did, and what it did not do, are listed separately, with brevity but enough detail to permit a judgment. And then a look at the latest Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report for Aug. 23, 1968, will bring the picture up to date.

The Congressional Quarterly volumes and weekly reports are already in several thousand American libraries as well as being vital reference material in newspaper offices. They are rigorously nonpartisan and impartial, factual, and designed to give information clearly and speedily. An interested citizen will find them as usable as the specialist.



By Hermine Matheny, staff photographer

Let George do it?

Supporters of Sen. George S. McGovern rally enthusiastically in Chicago to show delegates to the Democratic National Convention that as far as they're concerned, the party should "let George do it" when they choose the presidential nominee.

★Race issue cuts two ways for Democrats

Continued from Page 1

these and similar events are not going unnoticed.

Some believe the once-solid South may be developing a two-party, or even three-party system. According to this view the George Wallace segregationist party, or something like it, will last through whatever racial turbulence lies ahead.

The 11 Southern states have 128 electors out of a total of 538 (270 necessary for election).

Only 2 percent of the delegates to the Republican convention at Miami Beach were black. Here the ratio is about double that. It is still well below the 10 percent ratio of nonwhites to total United States population.

Democrats were the "lily-white" party after the Civil War. Now there is an increasing tendency in that direction by the Republicans, some feel, while the Democrats have opened their doors wider.

Negro apathy lingers

Negroes would be more important in politics if they voted in larger numbers. Actually, registration is low. According to the Voter Education Project, Southern regional conference, in November, 1966, there were around 13,400,000 whites registered in the 11 Southern states, or 71 percent of those of voting age, and about 2,660,000 Negroes, or only 53 percent of those eligible.

It is expected the Negro ratio will be somewhat higher this fall.

Negroes face fewer social and economic barriers to voting in the North. Their concentration in big strategic cities makes them potentially powerful. But again there is considerable apathy.

Here in Chicago, for example, Mayor Richard J. Daley has an iron grip on the political process. He operates it with business and financial interests, often apparently with Republican backing. Negroes have little to say in the patronage-dominated machine of the Cook County Democratic organization. Chicago's black-white tension smolders and is symptomatic, though probably worse, than in most Northern cities.

If political parties were 100 percent cynical, as some assert, Democratic advantage might be in disregarding Negro clamor. Some observers think "law and order" will be the big issue of the campaign, bigger than Vietnam. George C. Wallace and Governor Maddox appear to equate the slogan with segregation and repression. They are not alone.

Aid to Republicans seen

Revulsion to riots probably will aid Republicans in this election. Mr. Nixon's attack on the courts, his statements to Southern delegates tape-recorded at Miami Beach, his identification with South Carolina's Strom Thurmond and selection of Maryland's Gov. Spiro Agnew are not apt to win Negro voters.

Richard M. Nixon wants the Negro vote. At Miami Beach he estimated that at present 40 percent favored Democrats, 10 percent Republicans, and 50 percent undecided. He hoped to raise the Republican figure to 35 percent.

News media 'prepare' Chicago for violence

By Richard L. Strout
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Chicago

The news media in this city may be indicted for inciting to violence.

The mildest parade of young people brings a TV camera crew like a hook-and-ladder truck to a three-alarm fire.

Associated Press Wirephoto

Picasso vs. pig

Extracurricular politics in Chicago this week includes campaigning by Yippies — the Youth International Party. With city's Picasso iron sculpture in background, girl Yippie proposes a pig for president.

Any youngster who will denounce the authorities finds himself surrounded by a ring of extended microphones.

The press has talked so much about violence that it has a vested interest in violence. It will look silly if it doesn't get it.

This is a case where "the medium is the message."

A front-page story in a local newspaper blueprints all the ways that sabotage might occur. Some of the more ingenious—poison the water supply; strew the boulevard with nails; dynamite natural-gas lines. Rarely have so many destructive hints been broadcast so generously, with such detailed warnings and how-to-do-it instructions. These are meant, of course, as warnings.

"A mass stall-in of old jalopies on the expressways at a given time would stop traffic," is one of the possibilities offered.

Prolonged buildup

For weeks, or months, the thought of violence has been slowly built up by stories of precautions taken to guard the convention. And the situation is delicate enough to warrant anxiety.

The public has almost lost count of the number of strikes now in progress, the latest being a quickie bus strike of Negro drivers directed at their own union.

Nor is there doubt of the sincerity of many of the youthful Vietnam war protesters converging here. Groups like the National Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam see virtually the whole national news media waiting to publicize them.

History shows that where martyrs are expected martyrs arrive punctually.

Chicago nevertheless resolutely proclaims itself a "fun" city into which by latest count hundreds of agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, thousands of Illinois national guardsmen, battle-dressed regular Army infantry, and innumerable blue-helmeted local police are assembled, watching delegates, newsmen, hippies, strikers, and each other.

Rarely in America have such precautions been taken against violence, or such hints broadcast for generating it.

Costlier homes

By the Associated Press

Washington

The National Association of Home Builders says a typical one-family new home cost $18,000 in 1963 but would cost $24,500 now.

Democratic convention briefs . . .

By the Associated Press

Chicago

Backed by nine other states, Texas filed a minority report seeking to overturn on the floor of the Democratic National Convention a Rules Committee recommendation to abolish the unit rule.

"Right now," Texas Rules Committee representative Tom Gordon told reporters Sunday, "there will be a floor fight."

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The Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic National Convention seethed with rumors that Sen. Edward M. Kennedy will be drawn into the convention as a candidate for Vice-President or even President.

The rumors grew and spread despite two separate statements from Mr. Kennedy indicating he was not available for that office.

Michael V. Disalle, former Governor of Ohio, said he is going ahead with his plan to offer the name of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts for the Democratic presidential nomination.

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A Circuit Court judge issued a preliminary injunction ordering dissident bus drivers to end their two-day wildcat strike, which has cut the city's bus service by 50 percent on the opening day of the Democratic National Convention.

Judge Donald M. O'Brien ordered the striking drivers to return to work. The Chicago Transit Authority had filed suit against the Concerned Transit Workers, a predominantly Negro group which called the strike at 12:01 a.m. Sunday.

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Gov. Lester G. Maddox resigned Monday as a member of Georgia's challenged delegation to the Democratic National Convention. He quit in order to devote his full time to his candidacy for the presidential nomination, the Governor said.

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Public transportation for the Democratic National Convention was severely hampered by strikes of transit workers and taxicab drivers.

A group of predominantly Negro bus drivers employed by the Chicago Transit Authority, who call themselves the Concerned Transit Workers, began a strike against their union at 12:01 a.m. Sunday.

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Six thousand federal troops were airlifted into Chicago on the eve of the Democratic National Convention for duty should trouble erupt during the convention. They will support more than 18,000 Illinois National Guardsmen and Chicago police in the event they are needed.

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An estimated 2,000 Yippies, Hippies, anti-war protesters, and passersby engaged in a brief confrontation in Lincoln Park Sunday with about 100 hastily summoned police reinforcements.

Study charges waste in defense spending

By the Associated Press

Washington

The Defense Department's $45 billion-a-year procurement budget pays for a vast array of hardware and services, but a sizable portion of it buys nothing.

It's swallowed up by duplication, by human error, and by faulty management—some of it inevitable in an organization the size of the Pentagon, where 5,500 people are involved in military procurement alone.

Whatever the cause, this loss—never precisely calculated—could well run into billions of dollars.

This is shown in an Associated Press study of five major areas of procurement, a study that details the problem in all its intricacy and outlines numerous ways in which things can go wrong.

- **Defense officials emphasize that price competition reduces costs by an average of 25 percent. But in most years no more than 14 percent of Pentagon buying is based on competitive bidding.**
- **The Defense Department owns billions of dollars worth of industrial equipment. Much of it is unneeded, according to the General Accounting Office, which says the department exerts no effective control over its use.**
- **Last year, the Pentagon lost $160 million, according to the General Services Administration, by acquiring new computer equipment even as computers it already owned or leased stood idle more than two million hours. The GSA is the chief purchasing agent for the government.**
- **The Pentagon spends $7 billion a year on research and development contracts that usually run more than double the original cost estimates.**
- **The Defense Department insists it has adequate protection against profiteering by private contracts, yet billions of dollars in annual purchases are not subject to any independent review for overpricing.**

The Armed Services Procurement Regulations — ASPRs—fill several hundred volumes. New regulations and revisions of old rules are issued frequently in a constant campaign to close loopholes.

For the 4,000 civilian and 1,500 military personnel who work in defense procurement, the ASPRs theoretically guide every step toward the purchase of any item. Critics of the Pentagon say few are followed consistently.

Former Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara touched on procurement problems in his last budget statement to Congress, just before he resigned early this year. Speaking of procurement personnel, he said:

"How to motivate these people to do their job more efficiently, and how to determine whether they do so, has always been one of the most difficult and elusive problems."

Observing that private industry is disciplined by the profit-and-loss statement, he added: "There is no such built-in incentive for efficiency and economy in the operating environment of the Defense Department."

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Democratic convention salutes women of action

By the Associated Press

Chicago

The Democratic National Convention puts the spotlight on Democratic women doers this week—from delegates to diplomats.

Many famous Democratic women in government and politics will be part of the show — except, perhaps, the party's top woman doer, Lady Bird Johnson.

Mrs. Johnson's role in the convention remained to the last—along with her husband's—a political secret.

There is a built-in spot waiting for a salute to the President's wife, however, a luncheon for 2,000 convention-going women, the largest event of the week given by the Democratic National Committee's Office of Women's Activities.

It is already billed as a "Salute to Women of Action" and is set for Tuesday, Aug. 27, which happens to be President Johnson's 60th birthday—and the day the Democrats figure would be most likely for his appearance.

Mrs. Johnson popularized the women-doer role and used her five years in the White House to pay tribute to action-minded women.

The two women picked to make convention speeches before the delegates and alternates—including a record 917 women—are an example.

A prime Monday opening night nationwide color television spotlight was given Katherine Peden, who is campaigning to win the U.S. Senate seat vacated by retiring Sen. Thruston Morton (R) in her home state of Kentucky.

WOMEN TODAY

It's a first try for elective office for Miss Peden, whose career includes vice-presidency of her hometown radio station WHOP in Hopkinsville, Ky., first woman commissioner of commerce in Kentucky, and the only woman member of Mr. Johnson's Special Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders.

The second woman speaker, scheduled for Tuesday night, has been a familiar face at past conventions—on television commercials—Betty Furness.

Miss Furness is now the "Voice of the Consumer" in the White House as a $26,000-a-year Johnson-appointed special assistant.

Others who broke ground for women in political roles will be making convention appearances, too.

Esther Peterson, who once held Betty Furness' consumer post along with her job as Assistant Secretary of Labor, is one of the participants in three "Food for Thought" convention-week women's luncheons.

Still one of the highest ranking women in government, Mrs. Peterson has been a key backer in movements to improve the status of women in labor and all walks of life.

And, women who broke diplomatic barriers, former U.S. Ambassadors Eugenie Anderson and Perle Mesta, are included along with cabinet wives and singing stars on the luncheon programs.

The roll caller at the convention is a pacesetter, too. Dorothy Vredenburgh Bush was only 27 back in 1944 when the Democratic National Committee, saluting youthful supporters, appointed her its secretary. She became the first woman—and the youngest person—ever to hold that post in either party.

Mrs. Bush made her debut in Chicago and this will be her seventh consecutive convention in the job. Wife of Interstate Commerce Commissioner John W. Bush, she grew up in Mississippi and lived in Birmingham, Ala. She has a soft, clear, experienced voice for calling the roll of the states.

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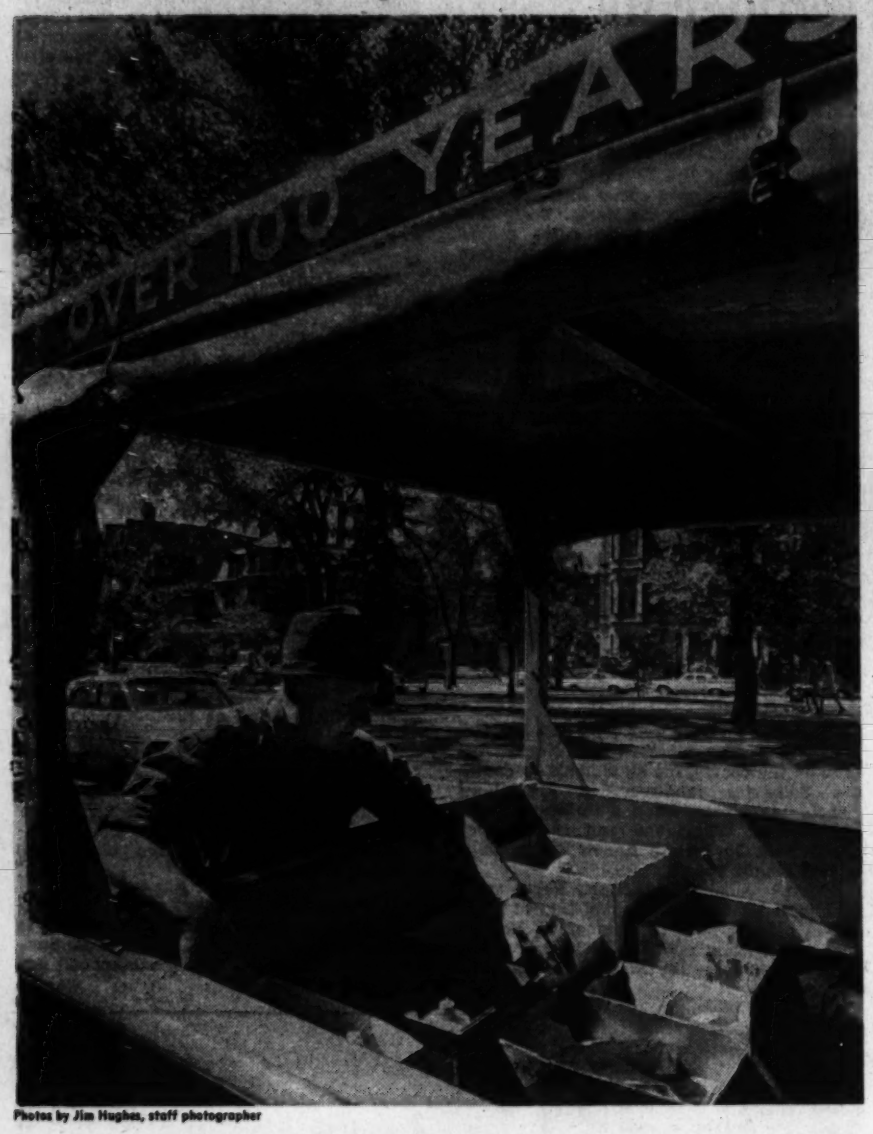


Photos by Jim Hughes, staff photographer

It's tradition

By Richard Bergenheim

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Boston

Do you shop at a provisioner's? Do you order by phone? Are your groceries delivered to your door? Do you charge them? And are you greeted by name when you enter the store?

If so, you may be familiar with George Ellis and Company, Inc., on Newbury Street in Boston.

On entering Ellis's, one is immediately aware of refreshing odors—the fragrance of fresh fruits and vegetables, so alien to the heavy air outside. The store is small, personal, and complete.

It is probably one of the oldest grocery stores in town, and has been serving Bostonians since 1837. It is run now by William H. Haines, who is justifiably proud of his shop and its special traditions.

The back of the store is usually crowded with cartons packed for the afternoon's delivery, and frozen foods, wrapped and labeled for the individual customer, wait in the freezer.

Many of its customers have been doing business with Ellis's for four or five generations. Many phone in their orders; and there is no problem with brands, for Mr. Haines has a well protected reputation for carrying only the best.

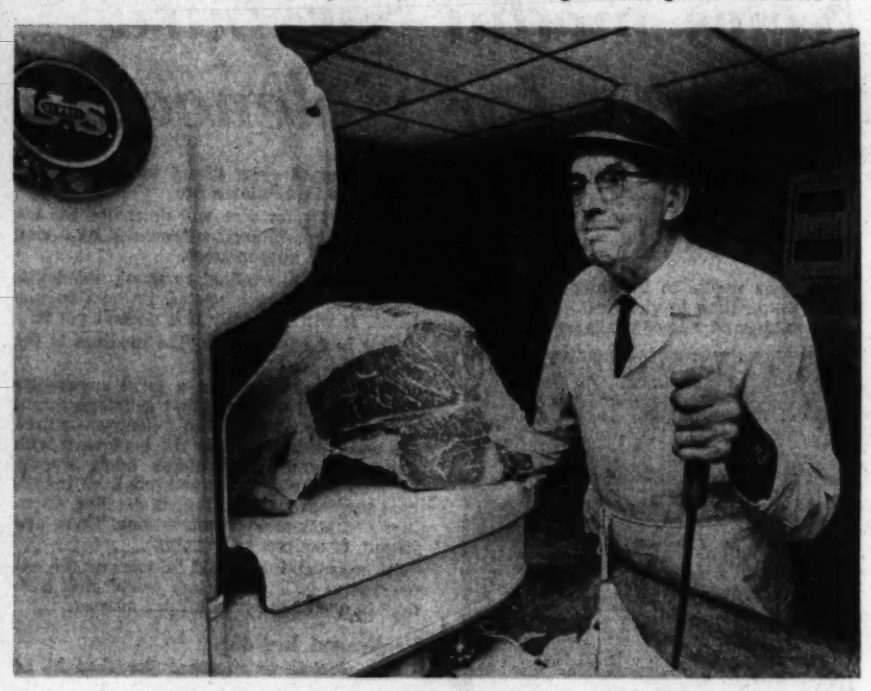
The delivery truck makes its rounds of Boston, especially the Back Bay, every afternoon. The truck used to make trips out to the North Shore, into New Hampshire, and even to Vermont, when many of the clients left for the summer. But now, except for servicing a few long-time customers living up on the North Shore, the store restricts its deliveries to the Boston area.

My talk with Mr. Haines was frequently interrupted as he would stop to greet a customer by name, to help with an order, or answer the phone to take down an order. He gave advice on what cut of meat to buy, and how it should be cooked. He was firm when explaining that one should use only a sirloin roast for roasting. His directions included length of time and oven temperature. Service was the key word here.

Tradition, however, can be preserved only with a struggle; several changes have had to be made as a bow to modernization. One of the store's trademarks used to be a large wooden bowl that stood by the front door filled with eggs nestled in fresh straw. It held up to 30 dozen. But when the store moved to its present location on Newbury Street six years ago—halfway between the New England Genealogical Society and Bonwit Teller—the Board of Health stepped in and insisted that the eggs be kept under refrigeration. Mr. Haines still has the bowl which he keeps in his cellar, an artifact of a bygone age.

Another victim of modernization is the store scale. The Department of Weights and Measures could not accept the old spring scale, and that had to be abandoned also. The atmosphere of service and consideration for the individual customer remains.

For a moment the store was quiet. The hum of the freezer and the ticking of a clock took over the room. Suddenly the phone jangled—a customer's order. Then the door opened, and Mr. Haines walked over to greet a client. I started to leave, but I couldn't resist buying a half-dozen peaches which had been lying beside me as I had been talking to Mr. Haines. The proof was in the eating.



For over 100 years George Ellis and Co., Inc., has been delivering to Boston customers, especially in the Back Bay. Left: truck makes a Commonwealth Avenue stop. Right: Homer Murtha, of the fresh meat section, weighs a piece of prime beef.

Crowd cooking

By a staff writer of The Christian Science Monitor

Cooking for a Crowd, by Annette Laslett Ross and Jean Adams Disney. New York: Doubleday & Company, Inc. $6.95.

A book for those who cook big; and for "those who think big, as one must do when cooking food for a large group," explain the authors. In addition to menus, the book includes 350 recipes, scaled for 12, 24, or 48 servings.

Child actress resumes her stage career

By Rhysa Davis

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Boston

Although she didn't go searching for a career in show business, Patty McCormack created a sensation at the age of nine when she played Rhoda, the child monster who drowned children and beat troublesome janitors, in the Broadway hit "The Bad Seed." From that moment until her early retirement at 18, Patty's career was almost a fairy tale come true.

After "Seed" closed she was taken to Hollywood along with five others from the stage company to make the motion picture. She topped her stage performance, which had been hailed by many newspaper critics as outstanding, and won a Motion Picture Academy Award nomination. Although she didn't win "Oscar" she considers being nominated, "a great honor."

After the movie version of "Seed," her childhood career continued on the upswing and she turned out motion pictures and television performances until she was 18. (TV viewers may remember her as the young Helen Keller in "The Miracle Worker.") Then she dropped out of sight.

This summer, at 22, Miss McCormack is back on the stage, touring in "Barefoot in the Park." It's her first stage appearance since "Seed," and her first role as a wife. She talked about her "retirement" and her comeback during an interview backstage at the Shubert Theater during the Boston run of the play.

The three years she was away from show business were good for her, she believes. They gave her the opportunity to clear her head, and to discover on her own whether acting was really for her.

"Most women have an occupation today, and I now realize I enjoy the theater," the little size seven actress explained. Her husband is "all for" her comeback, Miss McCormack said.

By Peter Main, photo staff

Patty McCormack

She became a child star at the age of nine when she starred in the Broadway hit "The Bad Seed."

Her new career is developing more slowly than her whirlwind success as a child actress, she admits. But she considers the work she is doing preparation for better things to come.

In Neil Simon's marital comedy, she plays the role of Corie Bratter, a kooky newlywed who sets up housekeeping in a walk-up attic apartment and skips barefoot in the park in February.

Although some of the reviews of "Barefoot" have not praised it, Miss McCormack said, "I take them with a grain of salt."

Miss McCormack said she and her husband have not yet set up housekeeping in a permanent place. Show business keeps her traveling. Now, while she is on tour with the summer company of "Barefoot," her husband is in Los Angeles, with his mother, but comes to visit her on tour when the opportunity arises for him to get away from his own business.

The two of them would like to design their own house and have it especially built to suit them. As for a style, she said they would have to make that decision later.

Her ideal house would be large enough to hold many children, it would be attractive, and be situated in Southern California, preferably the Westwood area.

Like most young ladies her age, she has a head full of dreams. They include having four or five children, being happy and healthy, and eventually becoming a star. When asked what she thought her chances were for the latter, she said, "At least I'm happy while I'm trying. And I won't feel unfulfilled if I don't make it. But if I do, I will feel accomplished."

Whether or not Miss McCormack succeeds in actorsville depends on her. She's determined to make it, and that's half the battle.

Distaff side serves party

By the Associated Press

Chicago

The pretty brunette mother of three young sons, Mrs. Faye Leone Broderick, of Lincoln, Maine, at 35 is the youngest woman to be co-chairman of one of the four standing Democratic convention committees—the Committee on Permanent Organization. The other standing committees are Credentials, Resolutions and Platform, and Rules and Order of Business.

Other women co-chairmen are Mrs. Sallie Hailey of Arrow Rock, Mo., Rules and Order of Business; Mrs. Ella Grasso, Windsor Locks, Conn., Resolutions and Platform; Mrs. Helen Gunsett, Columbus, Ohio, Credentials.

Mrs. Hailey who is looking forward to her fourth convention, for eight years served as director of the department of business and administration of the state of Missouri and was associate judge of Saline County court. She says she has been active in politics all her life.

National committeewoman from Ohio, Mrs. Helen Gunsett held the same credentials cochairmanship four years ago when the convention was held in Atlantic City.

Slim, brown-haired Mrs. Ella Grasso is serving her third four-year term as secretary of state for Connecticut.

Green beans, pears cooked together

By the Associated Press

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Green beans with pears

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★V-P poll favors McCarthy

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enough electoral votes to win—272. Both Mr. Hughes and Senator McGovern, when added to the Humphrey ticket, also gave the Democratic ticket a strong edge.

However, Mr. Alioto is so unknown around the country that he proved a drag on the Democratic slate.

Nixon-Agnew led Humphrey-Alioto, 234 to 198, in the Monitor's hypothetical pairing.

If Mr. Agnew is to become an asset to the GOP ticket his strength probably will have to appear later in the race—as he becomes better known. There is no evidence that he yet is wooing back voters who are moving in great quantities toward George Wallace.

In a Nixon-vs.-Humphrey survey by this paper, just before the GOP convention, Mr. Nixon was given 22 states with 174 electoral votes while Mr. Humphrey was given 16 states plus the District of Columbia with 238 electoral votes.

Except when Mr. Humphrey was run with Mr. Alioto, Mr. Nixon dropped below the 174 total in these new pairings.

A Monitor survey of several weeks ago had indicated that Sen. Edward M. Kennedy would be the strongest running mate for Mr. Humphrey.

However, Senator Kennedy has said he would not be available for vice-presidential consideration this year. Thus, he was not included in the new assessment.

In all five of these races George Wallace was given four states with 39 electoral votes, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, and Mississippi.

But the gains elsewhere by Mr. Wallace remain the important factor in the advantage that Mr. Humphrey holds over Mr. Nixon. Without Mr. Wallace, Mr. Nixon, with Mr. Agnew as a running mate, might well be the winner.

But around the United States, in the North as well as the South, Mr. Wallace is taking away a great many votes that would otherwise go to Mr. Nixon.

And, at least at this point, there is no evidence that Mr. Agnew's presence on the GOP ticket is influencing many voters to go with Mr. Nixon instead of voting for Mr. Wallace.

Five pairings tried

The Monitor findings on the five pairings based on special dispatches from writers who are closely informed on the political climate in their own particular states are as follows:

Humphrey-McCarthy, 21 states plus the District of Columbia with 299 electoral votes. Nixon-Agnew, 19 states with 113 votes. Wallace with four states and 39 electoral votes. Six tossup states with 87 votes.

Humphrey-Shriver, 19 states and the District with 272 votes. Nixon-Agnew, 22 states with 140 votes. Wallace, four states and 39 votes. Five tossup states with 87 votes.

Humphrey-Hughes, 17 states plus the District, with 238 votes. Nixon-Agnew, 24 states with 168 votes. Wallace, four states with 39 votes. Five tossups with 93 votes.

Humphrey-McGovern, 17 states plus the District with 217 votes. Nixon-Agnew, 23 states with 164 votes. Wallace, four states with 39 votes. Six tossup states with 118 votes.

Nixon-Agnew, 28 states with 234 votes. Humphrey-Alioto, 14 states plus the District with 189 votes. Wallace, four states with 39 votes. Four tossup states with 76 votes.

State-by-state tally

The basis of the Humphrey lead over the Nixon-Agnew ticket, in every vice-presidential pairing except with Mr. Alioto, is the presence of most of the big-population states on the Democratic side.

At this point California, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, New Jersey, Ohio, and the District are with Mr. Humphrey when his running mate is Senator McCarthy. And Illinois and Texas are in the tossup category.

The Humphrey - McCarthy confrontation with Nixon-Agnew came out as follows—as assessed by the Monitor writers:

Humphrey-McCarthy — Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Washington, West Virginia, District of Columbia.

Nixon-Agnew—Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Wyoming.

Wallace: Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi.

Tossups: Alaska, Illinois, Kentucky, Texas, Virginia, Wisconsin.

In the other pairings, the dip in the Humphrey electoral total comes mainly as the big states move into the tossup category.

By a staff photographer

Flags over Chicago

Politics was in the wind this week as delegates to the Democratic National Convention poured into Chicago's International Amphitheater, bedecked with a colorful array of flags, to choose "their man" for the presidency. Demonstrations by Yippies and Hippies and political supporters added to the gaiety of the get together.

Liberal trend tests Southern Democrats

By Robert P. Hey
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Atlanta

The more acrimonious became the delegate challenge fights in Chicago, the more gleefully Southern Republicans chortled. And the more despondent became those Southern Democrats caught in the middle—those loyal to the national party but not backers of Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy.

To some political observers, it appears the old Democratic umbrella, which long has shaded most of the South, will have been tattered in Chicago at the Democratic National Convention.

With decisions by the convention's credentials committee to unseat Mississippi's regular delegation and split Georgia's seats equally between regulars and challengers, the handwriting seemed clearly on the wall. It was that if state Democratic parties in the South are to have a continued voice in national party affairs, they must broaden themselves to permit full participation by Negroes. And they must give weight to the views of Negroes and liberal whites.

GOP sees opportunity

This presents several state Democratic parties with a clear — and unpleasant — choice: broaden themselves, though this might prove unpopular with many white voters; or largely turn their backs on possible national effectiveness and concentrate on state politics.

Republicans, generally conservative in the South, foresee great opportunity for the GOP from Democrats' public agony. Republicans think they have a good chance of luring to their party many conservative Democrats disenchanted by expected liberalization of their former party.

In the words of one Republican state chairman: "The more liberal the Democratic Party gets, the more we can furnish a home, because Southerners are basically conservative."

A few observers, however, foresee the possibility of George C. Wallace's American Independent Party emerging as a permanent third party in the South, because of the Democratic splintering in Chicago. They reason that many Democrats in the South, steeped in decades of Democratic voting, simply could not bring themselves to become Republicans—but could align themselves with the former Alabama Gov. ernor, a onetime Democrat.

But most observers consider this development unlikely. They argue that the Wallace party really is a one-man party, and as such could not long survive being split into several state parties.

Those Southern states which did not face widespread delegate challenges at the convention have the easier task over the next four years, without having had their state parties shredded by political argument at this year's convention. Thus they need only broaden their participation—though that in itself is a formidable task—to assure their continued place in national party politics.

Difficult task faced

States which faced severe challenges will find the task proportionately more difficult. Georgia's state Democratic party faces probably the most formidable problem. This party is divided into three segments—Maddox conservatives, middle-roaders, and liberals such as comprise most of the challenge delegation.

At Chicago the Georgia liberals and conservatives appear to have made a final break with each other, and perhaps with the men in the ideological middle.

Thus the party is disunited at a time when the Republican Party of Georgia has shown considerable vigor—and increasing election success. Though themselves less than perfectly united, Republicans could take giant strides toward parity in state and some congressional district elections as a result of the Democratic disarray.

Middle-road Democratic leaders say their party must be entirely rebuilt. They seem at a loss to know precisely how to go about it. To be acceptable to the national party, it must give substantial voice to its liberal and Negro members, they say. But they aver that association with these same members makes it almost hopeless for Democrats to win many state and local offices in conservative Georgia.

In the short run, the likely effect of the bitter credentials battles involving Southern states is to diminish the modest chances of the Democratic presidential nominee of carrying part of the South in November. Principal beneficiary will be Mr. Wallace. This is true not only in states that became credentials battlegrounds, but also others where some regular and conservative Democratic leaders are bitterly displeased that Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey did not work to seat the entire regular delegation from Georgia. These leaders see the portent for the future, don't like it, and blame Mr. Humphrey for turning his back on delegates who intended to vote for him.

The most striking case is in Georgia. Mr. Humphrey, as the anticipated presidential nominee, had been given a good, if underdog, chance of taking the state, where former Alabama Governor Wallace was in the lead.

However, after the decision of the credentials committee, the same Democratic leaders who had insisted they could deliver the state to Mr. Humphrey said sadly this no longer was possible.

They advanced two reasons: Maddox-leaning conservatives couldn't be kept in line, and now would bolt for Mr. Wallace; and the challenge delegation is headed by men so unpopularly liberal it will constitute an albatross around the Vice-President's neck.

'Nuplex' designed for jobs, food

By the Associated Press

Washington

The Atomic Energy Commission is developing plans for huge nuclear complexes which would each give employment to 100,000 persons and provide food for 5 million people, AEC Chairman Glenn T. Seaborg said.

A "modest type" of such a complex could be built now, he said, "using reactors of the type that are already under construction."

Dr. Seaborg defined the "nuplex" as "a giant agro-industrial complex built around nuclear reactors and using advanced agricultural and industrial technologies."

For $1 billion, he said, "a nuplex could be built to sustain 100,000 farmers, laborers, and their families. The same nuplex could feed 5 million others and export fertilizer to grow food for 50 million other people."

The complexes would generate their own electricity and pump oceans for unlimited quantities of water for irrigation and industrial uses, he explained.

The AEC chairman told of the plan in a copyrighted interview in the magazine U.S. News and World Report.

"We are talking," Dr. Seaborg said, "about establishments that could grow to be a very substantial size and dramatically change our industrial economy."

Specifically, he mentioned the Middle East and India as areas where nuplexes could be built to produce electricity, manufacture fertilizer, and desalt seawater for irrigation.

"We visualize the building of a large nuclear power plant on a coastal area where the soil is otherwise fertile and the climate is favorable, but where there is lacking the water and fertilizer to allow the raising of crops," Dr. Seaborg said.

Wallace taken seriously

Union leaders fight for votes

By Ed Townsend
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New York

An editorial running in AFL-CIO newspapers carries the headline: The Spoiler.

An editorial cartoon running in labor papers shows a man running with a torch, leaving a pall of smoke over industrial plants, with the black smoke captioned: Fear.

The editorial and the cartoon, and a spreading rash of other editorials and news stories in the labor press, deal with the candidacy of former Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama for the presidency. In the union papers that have an editor's mail-bag column, letters are now being published in significant numbers on the pros and cons of Mr. Wallace's third-party candidacy.

Perhaps more than any other group, labor is taking Mr. Wallace seriously. He was considered to be a demagogic adventurer at first, a rabble-rouser in the Southern rural tradition who wouldn't have appeal across the Mason and Dixon line—and certainly not in the ranks of labor voters.

Humphrey threat

But now many union political strategists consider Mr. Wallace more of a threat to favorite Hubert H. Humphrey in key industrial centers than Republican candidate Richard M. Nixon.

The laborites aren't afraid that Mr. Wallace might win. They see him as a dangerous "spoiler" making inroads into the union vote that Vice-President Humphrey must have to win. For instance:

Recently, a New Jersey local of the United Auto Workers polled members on presidential preferences, and Mr. Wallace was the big winner, with 430 votes; Mr. Nixon was second with 92; and Mr. Humphrey and other candidates trailed further behind. In another UAW local in the same industrial area, officers reported "heavy support" for Mr. Wallace. In both locals, white UAW unionists have watched an influx of Negroes and Puerto Ricans into plant jobs.

In Willow Springs, Ill., UAW unionists voted 315 for Mr. Wallace, 33 for Mr. Nixon, and fewer for others. Local officers said the "small vote" in the 2,900-member group's secret ballot didn't reflect "true sentiment" there, but pro-Wallace forces said it does.

Crowds attracted

In Pennsylvania, campaign appearances by Mr. Wallace in Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, and other heavy-industry areas brought out crowds, with a strong representation of middle-income trade unionists. When Mr. Wallace said that steelworkers are "getting sick and tired of the shenanigans" of bureaucratic government, he was cheered.

It happened in the same way in Indiana, where Mr. Wallace shows white, middle-income-unionist support in Gary, a United Steelworkers stronghold, and in Ohio, Wisconsin, and elsewhere.

It happened, too, in New England, where textile workers, electronics, and electrical-manufacturing workers and others show surprising support for Mr. Wallace.

And, expectedly, it's happened throughout the South.

These aren't isolated instances. Labor politicians cite Gallup Poll results as a warning of Wallace strength where, they say, he should have none.

Samplings cited

In Chicago this week, Al Barkan of AFL-CIO's committee on Political Education (COPE) called on delegates at a steelworkers convention to repudiate "phony issues" dramatized by Mr. Wallace. Another COPE spokesman in Washington said, "We're going to have to campaign hard and convince our people to vote on a basis of sound labor principles and programs, and not passion or bias."

In line with this, the AFL-CIO News, the federation's weekly paper, has warned:

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"The radical right did not die with the Goldwater disaster in 1964; it has taken on new life in the George Wallace campaign of 1968. . . .

"The Wallace campaign is compounded of many elements, nearly all of them out of the classic handbook of the radical right . . . packaged to appeal to the fears and uncertainties of the American people as they face up to the complex and difficult problems of our times. . . .

"Wallace has clearly spelled out his role in this election—to be a spoiler. . . .

"The radical right was stopped cold in its tracks in 1964. It must be stopped again in 1968 with the overwhelming repudiation of George Wallace."

Record attacked

The Machinist, publication of the International Association of Machinists, is one of a number of labor papers that have attacked Mr. Wallace's labor record and tried to connect the Alabaman with antiunion and John Birch Society groups. Labor, the weekly published by railroad unions, recently carried an article charging that financier Edward Ball of Florida is supporting a pro-Wallace committee; Mr. Ball's controversial policies are involved in labor's long and futile strike against the Florida East Coast Railroad.

Also in Labor, railroad unionists have been debating, by letters, the pros and cons of Mr. Wallace.

One Georgian wrote: "The only candidate for president that has spoken out and said he is in favor of more states' rights and less federal control is George Wallace. [He] is also for putting a stop to street riots, and I am for that."

Another complained about "scabs in union clothes who write to you for Wallace." Another asked workers to "Take a long, hard look at the facts before they support demagoger Wallace."

Still another, from Kansas, said: "The attempt by unions to convince workers that Wallace can serve them to no purpose failed in the 1964 primaries, and I do not see any greater success by them in 1968."

And so the debate goes on.

The reasons behind the Wallace support in labor are complex and more likely to be home- or job-related than a matter of prejudice. According to a worried UAW man in Detroit, union members are "a cross-section of the middle-income population, with all the same hopes, frustrations, and fears."

★Has Humphrey sewed up Democratic convention bag?

Continued from Page 1

of Chicago to announce his approval of Mr. Humphrey, as expected, disconcerted the Vice-President's forces.

It was rumored that the Mayor was holding back in order to see if Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts would run, or whether President Johnson might come forward at the last minute.

Sen. Philip A. Hart of Michigan in a broadcast gave what was interpreted in some quarters as endorsement of Senator Kennedy but which appeared on examination to be more a polite commendation.

A dispatch to a New York tabloid that Mayor Daley and Jesse M. Unruh, California party leader, had joined forces behind Senator Kennedy in a stop-Humphrey movement caused some excitement.

The pro-Kennedy comment seemed as much a recognition that Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy is unlikely to go over the top as it is a belief that the youthful Mr. Kennedy might be a last-minute choice.

There were these other developments:

Mr. Humphrey gave stronger endorsement than previously to President Johnson's Vietnam war position in a broadcast.

Senator McCarthy, following an enigmatic course, appeared to some to have opened the way to a draft as running mate to Mr. Humphrey. He also gave a polite nod in the direction of Senator Kennedy.

A McGovern endorsement

Illinois Attorney General William G. Clark endorsed Sen. George McGovern for president. He is a candidate for the United States Senate.

The deeper significance of all these developments is that the Democratic convention is having last-minute qualms, just as a bride may the day before going to the altar.

The groom in this case is Hubert Horatio Humphrey, who is not particularly romantic or startlingly handsome but who has that safe, reliable quality much esteemed by fathers of the bride—in this case a man in a nice neighborhood at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

The "bride" (near-majority of this convention) is fluttering a bit before tying herself unalterably to the Humphrey suitor from Minnesota.

Has she made the right choice? There is that nice Gene McCarthy who says such witty things. And there is that romantic Teddy.

Yes, there might be a last-minute elopement here at Chicago that would set the whole nation agog. But in real life things rarely happen that way.

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There's already a hint of autumn in the mountain air

Travel editor's diary

by Lasnett F. Morris

Sugar Hill, N.H.

These are the last days of our vacation here at Ten Birches, the name we have given to our new home overlooking the Presidential Range and the Franconias.

From our terrace I can see, as I look up from my typewriter, the mountains of Madison, Adams, and Jefferson, flanked by the tallest of them all, Mt. Washington, and Mt. Garfield and Mt. Lafayette, brooding under a sky sprinkled with threatening clouds. Showers come up fast and furious here and I must be prepared at the first raindrop to take cover.

An old-timer in these parts told me how I could easily remember the order of the mountains, Madison, Adams, and Jefferson. The first three letters, he explained, can be abbreviated to Maj. meaning major. Then comes "Major Washington"!

The summer has slipped by quickly for us here at Ten Birches. The landscaping and cleaning up after the builders who never seem to care a whit where they walk or what they drop in their paths. But nature heals over quickly and now green grass and bright flowers bloom just as though our place had always been here.

One of our most exhausting and satisfying tasks was to bring those magnificent 10 birches out of hiding. There was heavy growth of wild cherry and poplar trees at least eight feet in front of them. A power saw, and ax, and sturdy clippers soon leveled this growth and stepping to the front and center, as it were, strode those 10 birches not only for us to admire but for the many tourists who drive along our roads to see. Several of these birches are so large I cannot get my arms fully around them.

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Some of the days have been idle ones—days of looking at the mountains and trying to visualize them a million years or so ago when, so the geologists say, they were higher than the Rockies. Wind and rain, snow and ice over the eons have ground them down to the "stubs" they are. Mt. Washington is more than a mile high with its neighboring peaks hovering around the 5,000-foot mark.

On clear days we can see the smoke of the railroad engines as they huff and puff their way up the steep sides of Mt. Washington. With high-powered glasses we can easily make out the Tip-Top House and the antennae which send out the radio and television signals to the surrounding area.

There always is activity on our hill. There are two places catering to summer guests nearby — the Sunset Hill House and the Homestead, an old, cozy farm building turned into a guest house. Guests from both of these places stroll up our road and often stop to admire Sally's flower garden, the bright centerpiece in front of our house. From seed she has coaxed such colorful plants as petunias, nasturtiums, clematis, and morning glories to bloom profusely along with 100 pansy plants.

Every time I mention leaving for vacation there is good-natured bantering from staff members as to just why I need one. "Yours is a perpetual one," they chant. Then, of course, they pick out places they think I should vacation—Siberia, Outer Mongolia, or places which, by their very connotation, would be ideal for a person who travels as much as I do.

Home naturally has a great appeal to anyone who travels extensively. In fact, home to any traveler looks best after any lengthy sojourn.

I recall years ago being aboard the Empire Builder of the Great Northern Railroad when we stopped at a small, rain-drenched Dakota town. A man across the aisle was putting on his rubbers ready to get off. I thought this town would be the last place where I would want to leave this comfortable train.

But, as he went by me, he said with the most contented smile: "It's great to be home again."

I think he said what everyone feels in his or her heart as they return from their travels.

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On some of these August nights there has been a hint of autumn in the air—an unmistakable feeling of frost. The stars above are so clear and near they look ready to be plucked. In the woodland not far away there is a maple showing a tint of red. The birds seem to sense the summer is on the wane for they arrive in flocks and move off in southerly directions. The bird activity here at Ten Birches has been most rewarding. Bluebirds flash by in a color that matches the morning glories to bathe in our bird bath. Gold finches, chirping as they dart here and there, land in the field looking like gold coins flashing in the sun. Then there are the swallows who fly at great speeds to catch insects on the wing. The chickadees, which frequented our feeder last winter, have gone back into the woods, but now and then we hear their cheery, pleasant call.

There is so much about us—about everyone no matter where one lives—to see and hear. And nature provides it free—just for the looking and hearing.

One returns from such a vacation, I feel, better prepared to tackle the tasks ahead in a world traveling too fast and furious.

Everyone, at some period during one's vacation, should sit a spell and watch the show that nature puts on—a cloud-dappled sky casting eerie shadows across the mountains; the sun setting in the west, spilling as it goes, colors of deep rose, orange, yellows, and purples across the horizon; study wild flowers as they grow in the tall grass; and watch the birds go about their daily business feeding and caring for their young and themselves. They have no concern for a busy, frustrated world.

Neither will you if you take a little time to observe what nature provides around you.

Open road to the peaks

This wide-sweeping glance of the Kinsman (right) and higher Franconia ranges (beginning left) is afforded drivers on New Hampshire's Interstate 93 expressway in the area of Franconia where the highway crosses the Gale River.

Hojo's 'Dutch treat' planned

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The restaurant will be "Dutch treat" with standard Howard Johnson menus, including ice cream, and local foods. It will occupy two levels and seat 140 patrons.

Zambia makes it easy to sample sights

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Zambia provides variety for the traveler looking for adventure, game and bird watching, spectacular scenery, and modern but typically local accommodations.

By jet travel one can be in Zambia in less than a day from the United States. Good roads and airline service to major tourist destinations in Zambia make it easy to get around the country.

Zambia's main tourist season stretches from mid-May to mid-November. The national tourist bureau insists a stay of from 14 to 16 days is needed to sample the nation.

Lusaka, the Zambian capital, is well provided with air services and thus forms a logical base for travel. The city combines the bustle of a metropolis with quiet, spacious parks. A cathedral in contemporary style, and other modern buildings, are among attractions in the city.

There are good shops in Lusaka but it is also fun to shop outdoors. Some of the merchants set up their stores right under the spreading trees and one can browse or buy in shady comfort, the wood carvings, fur rugs, ivory and copper handicrafts for which the country's artisans are noted.

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From Lusaka it is a short flight of one and a half hours to rustic Luangwa Valley National Park, where game is the attraction. This is the only major game preserve in Africa where one can go on a walking safari with an experienced game guide.

In most other parks, one has to game-watch from a car, but nothing beats the thrill of the close-up view of the animals as one goes over the small roads that wind through the grassy plains and woodlands of Luangwa.

This is the place to keep one's camera handy for photos of zebras, giraffes, impalas (a species of deer), and rhinos. When the game warden took his recent census of the elephants in this park they numbered between six and eight thousand, and pachyderms are very photogenic.

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By Sando Bologna
Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Thousands of vacationing families are including in their itineraries this summer the birthplaces, homes, and memorials of presidents in various parts of the United States.

Apparently influenced by the mounting interest in the presidential campaign, Americans are learning more about the personal traits of presidents and their role in the nation's history.

During the past decade, the United States Department of the Interior has designated many presidents' homes and museums as national historic sites and registered national historic landmarks. Nonprofit memorial foundations and state agencies maintain buildings, parks, and memorials as historic and tourists sites.

A new tourist magnet in Washington, D.C., is Ford's Theater where President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. It was reopened to the public last Feb. 13 after a $1,900,000 restoration. Also restored are the Lincoln Museum in the theater's basement and the house where Lincoln passed on, which is across the street from the theater. Admission is free to all places.

The Lincoln Heritage Trail, extending through areas of Kentucky, Indiana, and Illinois, includes the Lincoln birthplace and log-cabin site in Hodgenville, Ky., as well as museums, memorials, and state parks honoring the Civil War President.

Perhaps the best known and most visited president's home is Mount Vernon, near Alexandria, Va., where George Washington lived from 1752 to 1799 when he passed on. The white mansion, spacious lawns, and beautiful gardens are maintained by the Mount Vernon Ladies Association. Washington and his wife, Martha, and some 30 relatives are buried in a plain brick tomb on the grounds.

Also in Virginia, near Charlottesville, is the classic-styled Monticello, the brick mansion which Thomas Jefferson built in 1772 and completed in 1809.

Montpelier, the home where James Madison spent most of his life, is at Orange, Va. Because it is privately owned, it is not open to the public. However, the Octagon House in Washington, where Madison lived from 1814 to 1817, is open to the public.

In Quincy, Mass., a city-owned historic-house museum is in the cottage at 133 Franklin Street, where John Adams was born. A few steps away is the cottage in which John Quincy Adams was born. It, too, is a museum owned by the city. Peacefield, at 135 Adams Street, home of four generations of the Adams family, is administrated by the National Park Service.

At Brookline, Mass., a privately owned frame house at 83 Beale was designated a national historic site on June 26, 1967. It is the birthplace of John F. Kennedy.

The boyhood home of President Johnson in Johnson City, Texas, commemorates his early life. It is open to the public.

Memorabilia of former President Eisenhower are in the Eisenhower Museum at Abilene, Kans., and at the nearby Eisenhower Library. The Eisenhower home, on the same property, is open to the public.

Among other popular places of call by history-minded Americans are:

In West Branch, Iowa, the two-room Quaker cottage in Herbert Hoover Birthplace Park, with adjacent Herbert Hoover Memorial Library.

At Hyde Park, N.Y., Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site with the birthplace mansion and library.

At Independence, Mo., is the Harry S. Truman Library, erected by the federal government with funds given by friends and associates of the former president. He and Mrs. Truman live in their family home in Independence.

In Plymouth, Vt., off State Route 100-A, is the Coolidge homestead where Calvin Coolidge took the oath of office of the presidency Aug. 3, 1923. It's a Vermont historic site, open to the public. The birthplace home, nearby, is an informal museum open to the public.

At Oyster Bay, N.Y., is Sagamore Hill, the federally owned home of Theodore Roosevelt.

In Galena, Ill., the brick Grant home, built in 1859, and given to Ulysses S. Grant by townspeople; now a museum administered by the State of Illinois.

In Lancaster, Pa., is the home of James Buchanan, who lived there from 1849 to his passing in 1868; now administered by a preservation foundation.

At Nashville, Tenn., the Hermitage was the home of Andrew Jackson from 1804 to his passing in 1845. The house museum is administered by the Ladies Hermitage Association.

Still favored by tourists

An apparent trend is growing in vacation visits to the homes of Presidents of the United States. Mt. Vernon, home of George Washington, first President, near Washington, D.C., is perhaps the best known and most visited of Chief Executives' homes in the nation.

Marginal Way provides sample of Maine shore

By Philip Brady
Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Ogunquit, Maine

A scenic, seaside path, delightfully named Marginal Way, for more than a generation has been enthralling walkers and sun worshippers alike along ocean-bordered Ogunquit.

The path provides a convenient and practical way to sample the beauty and variety of Maine's seacoast; it offers compelling testimony to the sensitivity of the local Abenaki Indians who are credited with naming seaside Ogunquit "The beautiful place by the sea."

Carefully maintained by a local volunteer group, the walk attracts thousands each year, both newcomers and those longtime summer residents who feel that no day is complete without a stroll by the sea.

From a beginning at sheltered Perkins Cove, the way passes northward up and over the windswept rocks of Israel's Head, presenting sweeping views of the Atlantic, of pounding surf sending spray high in the air, workaday lobster boats, and a limitless cobalt sky set off by powder puff clouds.

Twisting and turning for about a mile to the foot of Ontio Hill on the Shore Road, across from the main public beach, the path works its way along high above the ocean, snaking between jagged cliffs and past secluded beaches, skirting oceanside estates which are forced to yield both their privacy and exclusive possession of the ocean shore.

The path veers around deep inlets where the waves dash and pound against jagged rocks, then plunges through thick patches of redolent bayberry and fern, past windtossed, stunted wild rose bushes fragrant in season with pink blooms.

Scattered at frequent intervals along the way are inviting wooden benches, some nestling in protective nooks shaded from the sun, others perched boldly on bare headlands where the onshore breeze offsets the summer heat.

The entire Marginal Way is a "must" for camera fans, but the real reward—many of them may decide—is picturesque Perkins Cove, situated at the mouth of Josiah's River. Here there is a happy, homogeneous jumble of fishing shacks, ice houses, gift shops, restaurants, artists' studios, all crowding a sheltered basin sprinkled thickly with idling boats. The whole is held under constant surveillance by a flock of wheeling, squawking gulls.

Arching high over the river is a wonderfully rude but sturdy foot drawbridge, believed to be the only one of its kind in Maine.

Town regears economy

Special to The Christian Science Monitor

Wickenburg, Ariz.

This town, which calls itself the "guest ranch" sector of Arizona, now is bringing light industry into the community.

With a new cutoff on Interstate 10 under way between Phoenix west to Brenda, Ariz., the town took steps to replace the loss of tourist dollars that will be caused by the highway diversion.

Under construction is a new Wickenburg Airpark, a close-in airport with a 4,200 landing strip. A 52-acre industrial park will adjoin the airport. This development connects with both Routes 60 and 70 and is close to downtown and the railroad.

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The Home Forum

My 'three apples'

Memory is capricious — stirred by a gesture, a glance or, perhaps, a paragraph in the autobiography of a French soldier-diplomat.

In a rather allegorical situation author Romain Gary tries to explain the human compulsion to compete — for the love of an adored maiden or for the perennial, unattainable ideal. To this end he adopted, in his boyhood, various devices to prove his manliness: walking on his hands, cribbing pastries, stoning windows, and fisticuffs. But the most stringent challenge came from his arch-rival for the affection of a little girl — the Polish boy who could juggle five apples at the same time.

No matter how long our slight hero struggled, he could never manage to keep more than three apples in the air at once. Life scarcely seemed worth living when they scattered, and the scorn in the eyes of Valentine was almost too much for mortal boy to endure. Yet today, says the mature author in his "Promise At Dawn," when the challenge of nature strikes traces of defiance still in his heart, "I grab my three apples, raise my head nobly, advance one foot and perform my exploit, just to show that I am still a man to be reckoned with."

* * *

As I read that passage, memory nudged. My "three apples" were birch trees. All I tried to master bent under my indomitable will. Maybe one or two foiled me, but if so, I wasn't terribly bothered. If I had really wanted to, there's little doubt I could have proven my superiority. That's what is important: to master something — be it three apples, a grove of birches, petits fours or the elusive haiku. To be "a man to be reckoned with" is no mean accomplishment.

By the time I was in high school and exposed to the charisma of Robert Frost — who kept his feet on the ground and his head in the clouds above the filigreed branches of a New England birch — I was an expert Swinger. Thus my three apples in common with the poet. I criticized his poem mercilessly, ready to detect any flaw in his procedure. There was none; he knew his backyard, I couldn't trip him up.

Birches could tangle and scratch, though the uninitiated might assume all to be smooth going up those white satin masts. "Birch" has its Latin derivation from *batuo*, to beat, the fasces of the Roman lictors, used to drive the people back, being made of birch rods. The more prudent of us were indeed driven back by a spurred *betula*. Yet we swung birches naturally as we pursued adventure in our country neighborhood where fences were to be climbed over or scrunched under, and pastures, woods and ponds were ours by divine right of monarchs of all we surveyed.

Since the species readily seeded in the rockiest, most barren soil, there were plenty of birches — one for each of us. And the race was on. Who would reach the summit and swing out first? Not always I — but never let it be said I didn't see the stunt through, that I backed to the ground the ignominious way — like a scared cat looking over his shoulder, mewing in disgrace before the jeering squirrel he had foolishly chased up there. I might win only cuts and bruises, but I returned to earth by way of a comet-sweep through the sky, proving myself one truly "to be reckoned with."

* * *

There was a method to this derring-do. First, you must make up your mind to persevere, regardless of what bumps and scratches you might have to endure. What were these casualties, compared with the exhilaration of victory?

Half the battle, therefore, was in steeling the will. You took off your shoes and, if you were a purist, your stockings, too. I was never an unnecessary martyr — I kept my lisle hosiery on. Better holes in them than in me. But this was the only concession I made to sensitivity — I'd be up there, scratched but unyielding, with the best.

Anyone who knows trees is familiar with the anatomical structure of a birch. Besides being incredibly graceful it can be, like Gary's Valentine, a freckle-faced torturer. The stem rises unbroken to the pyramidal head; horizontal branches divide into slender branchlets and dense twigs; the leaves are delicate, double-serrated, with glandular teeth. You can get entangled in the black twigs, a foot can slip on the finely polished trunk, a brittle branch may snap under your weight. Your balance and poise must be quite perfect as you climb or you'll "throw" the tree too soon. A young tree is best; it is compact yet supple, and the white bark is less apt to peel.

Builders haven't much good to say about this "pulp" wood. Park planners can't find enough spots to show off its scenic splendors. A child—and a poet — will remember forever the prickle of birch-bark under his feet, the feel of her wiry hair as he clutched it (like Rapunzel in reverse), to kick out into the unknown. Indelible on the chalk-surface is the distinctive pattern of triangular black spots at the base of every limb.

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Ice-storms, yes — but never children — bend birches down permanently, Frost correctly stated.

At whatever season you swung, there was an exultance to the exploit only a successful juggler of three apples could relate to. The poet undoubtedly learned the hard way, as I did, that your reward would be a long, jarring drop if you launched out too soon; unless, with Herculean effort, you could magnetize your body back and rewrap your legs about the trunk, recouping balance and saving face.

The twigs entangled your hair, swiped at your eyes, clawed your hands. You kept on climbing, high as you could go. Your timing must be exact — you got to know instinctively when you couldn't take one more rung and be tree-supported. *Then* you flung yourself out—it took some courage, but the thrill was incomparable — ordering your feet off the trunk, thrashing blue air, only your fingers clutching the treetip while the stem bent to the demands of your conquering 75 or so pounds of concentrated gravity. For another elated instant you held *betula*, then —it was *your* decision—with a flip of disdain, released her. The tree sprang back, every atom of her quivering in frenzied dance.

Frost concluded with the conjecture that he'd like to leave earth via a birch tree's snow-white trunk, climbing black branches toward heaven — when the tree could no longer support him he'd have it dip him down again. However that may be, I can't think of a better springboard than a birch tree to announce a traveler on earth as "a man to be reckoned with." Unless it is a three-apple juggling feat back of a nettle-patch.

ALMA ROBERTS GIORDAN

All pictures by courtesy of The Tate Gallery, London

"SCULPTURE": *White marble, 22 inches, by Henry Moore*

Much has already been written of the importance of Henry Moore as a sculptor. Yet the current exhibition at The Tate Gallery in London, presenting over 200 of his carvings, bronzes and drawings, reveals perhaps for the first time the full range of his power and invention. His sculpture is primeval. His most abstract works show clear organic references to landscape and to the human form. Indeed he sees the human form in terms of landscape. As he said in a recent television interview: "The human shoulder is a hill." Moore is the artist who has translated into sculpture the English tradition of landscape painting. Many of his works echo the craggy rock shapes of his native Yorkshire moors.

The son of a miner, at his father's wish Moore studied to be a teacher. But his heart was in sculpture. After a grant which took him to Leeds School of Art, where he condensed a two-year course into twelve months, he attended the Royal College of Art in London. His first exhibitions aroused strong opposition. Only a few fellow artists, Ben Nicholson, Barbara Hepworth and Paul Nash among them, understood his work. The real breakthrough came in 1948 with his success at the Venice Biennale. Moore had always been interested in the reclining figure, and as a war artist he was fascinated by the rows of sleeping women and children, relaxed and unconscious, who sought refuge from the blitz in London's Underground stations. The exhibition includes a series of these drawings which later inspired many sculptures.

Moore's works combine power with strength and energy. Nature is not always gentle, and some of the sculptures suggest a brooding sense of menace. He is strongly opposed to anything sweet or sentimental. Yet when his works are seen out of doors and the changing light flows over the smooth surfaces, one is aware of an austere beauty. The exhibition includes a number of the miniatures which Moore makes before he carves a final sculpture. Even the models reveal the strength with which he invests his work.

This is the most representative collection of Henry Moore's carvings, bronzes and drawings ever assembled. They come from many countries and the organizers are deeply indebted to the generosity of the lenders. The exhibition will continue through September 22.

MARJORIE BRUCE-MILNE

Seesaw

We pivot oddly round an axle fixed
On a sawhorse. You rise to heights of air
As I descend. I watch your joy, unmixed
With soberer reflection. You are care-
Free, a child of five, a featherweight.
I am a heavy on this teeterboard,
Making adjustments that will compensate
For our discrepancies. Up you have soared.

Now down you must come. You return to earth
Lightly, lightheartedly, while I ascend
Carefully skyward. In your mood of mirth
You balance my considerings. We end
By matching one another's altitude:
I lift your weight, you counterweight my mood.

VICTOR HOWES

"TWO-PIECE RECLINING FIGURE NO. 1": *Bronze by Henry Moore*

An incurable bookworm

During any summer day I had to attend to my reading, some of it clandestine. Among the luggage deposited on the wharf by the steamer *Ruth*, was the Book Trunk. Packing this for the summer was one of the excitements of the journey. It was a sturdy, flat, light-brown trunk, deeper than a steamer trunk but shorter. It held perhaps forty books. We were each allowed to choose some. *Little Lord Fauntleroy*, *Sara Crewe* and *Herr Baby* went into it. There were also bird books and flower books, paperbound copies of Stevenson, Kipling and Frank Stockton, and novels by Mrs. Humphrey Ward and Sienkiewicz; for my family kept up with the latest thing, no matter how daring. . . .

I also tried everything in the parlor bookcase. These were mostly books bound in paper, brought on the train by guests and left behind as souvenirs of the voyage. I say "tried" not because I could not run my eyes over the page and find out, more or less, what was going on but because I was almost always discovered and told, "You may not read that book." . . .

Always conscientious about any definite prohibition, I did not go on with that particular book. On the next rainy day I would choose another. Not all were snatched from my grasp. I was allowed to read Stockton and Henry James. I suppose it was thought that I would not understand James. I did not—I just read for the exercise—but *The Portrait of a Lady* became and has remained a great favorite of mine. So has *The Casting Away of Mrs. Lecks and Mrs. Aleshine*.

Once when we had rainy weather for almost a week, I was able to do plenty of reading. I heard my mother say to my grandmother, "That child really ought to be a librarian." Innocently supposing that librarians spent all their time reading, I made no protest. . . .

Someone asked me once if my mother had expected me to be a writer. I told her about something I had once heard my mother say. I was reading *Henry Esmond* for the second time in the room where the conversation took place. A courtesy aunt — we had several — said, foolishly, I thought, "Such a talented child, Mary! Are you going to encourage her to be a painter? Or a writer?"

My mother said gently, "Why, no, I'll discourage her from either as much as possible. Then if she has any talent it will be strong enough for her to use it."

She knew, of course, that I heard what she said. I thought it was a sensible reply. I did not, of course, know then that she had given me a tool as useful to a writer as square knots were to a loom fixer; the ability to sit down and do some work every morning whether you feel like it or not.—From "Mrs. Appleyard and I," by Louise Andrews Kent. Copyright, 1968, by Louise Andrews Kent. Houghton Mifflin Company, Boston.

"THREE RINGS": *Red Soraya marble (106" long) by Henry Moore*

Accept no substitutes

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

One summer afternoon a vacationing family was exploring the woodland trails in a national park. Mother, father, and two daughters were returning to the valley floor, walking single file down a steep path from a spectacular falls. As they descended, from time to time they met other travelers climbing up to see the falls.

About halfway down, the family stopped to rest and view the scene. The younger daughter came up to her mother, who was first in line, and said: "Mother, what are you doing? I see these people coming up the trail with their heads down, and as they pass you, they smile and look different." The mother laughed and said, "I guess I'm just loving them."

That night the mother, a Christian Scientist, was recalling the experience as she walked from the dining room to their cabin. Picking up a discarded paper on the path, she saw that it was a bit of advertising. It read, "Accept no substitutes." "Why, that's it," she thought. "That's the kind of loving I was doing."

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Those who credit what their eyes often see on the street and on TV and what they read in many of today's novels and newspapers may conclude that man is a mixed up, floundering animal, responsive to evil as well as to good. But those who prayerfully accept the Christianly scientific view of man as the son of God, infinite Spirit, are able to reject mortal, material man as a counterfeit, a substitute. Rejecting the substitute is part of the process of loving and seeing the genuine man is the rest.

Christ Jesus was truly loving. His ministry on earth lasted only three years, but his example has touched the lives of uncounted millions, and many have caught a glimpse of the eternal truth he taught.

Mary Baker Eddy caught a glimpse of the Christ, Truth. She was not content with the glimpse, however. She wanted to know more. She studied the Bible and earnestly prayed to discern more clearly the divine Principle that lay behind Jesus' works. Thus she became the Discoverer of Christian Science and Founder of the Christian Science movement. After years of healing sickness and discord to prove what she had discovered, she wrote "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" so others could learn and practice the Science of Christianity.

Many men have read and pondered Jesus' statement, "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment" (John 7:24). What is "righteous judgment"? they have asked.

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Mrs. Eddy found that the key to Jesus' consistency and effectiveness was his understanding of man's at-one-ment with the Father, divine Spirit, and his perception of the consequent genuineness of his own spiritual nature and that of others. This was the basis of his uniformly loving life. When he encountered a sick or sinful person, he was not fooled by this substitute for the genuine man. He judged that God, good, could not be the author of imperfection. He judged man to be spiritual, flawless. This is righteous judgment.

Science and Health points out (p. 516): "The substance, Life, intelligence, Truth, and Love, which constitute Deity, are reflected by His creation; and when we subordinate the false testimony of the corporeal senses to the facts of Science, we shall see this true likeness and reflection everywhere."

As we accept this new way of looking at the world, we see that true loving is not personal or emotional. It is not a policy to be tried and abandoned if there is no response. Rather it is a Christ-like way of life that sees right through the surface appearance of material personality with its pseudo attractiveness or repugnance. Rejecting this substitute presentation of man, it perceives the genuine, the God-created, the permanent, the good, in each human being, and seeing thus loves without effort and without cease. Those who feel this love, smile back.

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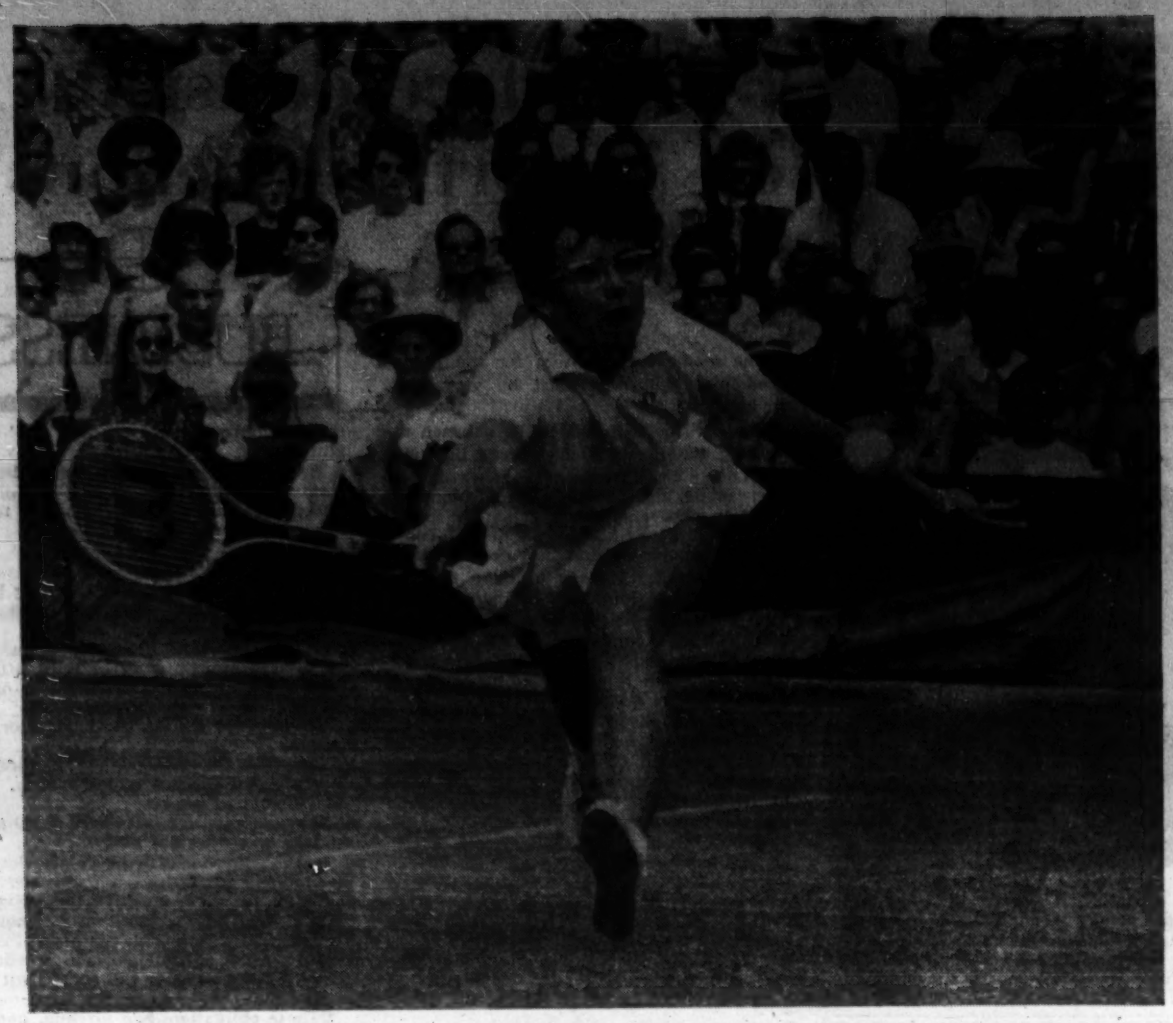

Keystone

Billie Jean King: 'Those weren't amateurs who beat the pros'

Tennis smudges the line

Who's serving now?

For years many tennis players have been amateurs in name only. Open tennis — where amateurs compete with professionals — was supposed to take this sham out of the game. But so far it hasn't worked that way. Instead a new hypocrisy, the 'registered player,' has appeared.

By Alan Grayson

Sports writer of The Christian Science Monitor

THE WINDS OF CHANGE HAVE whipped boisterously around lawn tennis this year. Still, they haven't been strong enough to clear away all the cobwebs.

The advent of open tennis — competition between professionals and amateurs — seemed likely to eliminate several of the sports' longstanding anomalies. It has only succeeded in part, however, and at the same time has caused new problems.

Paradoxically, as soon as the world's top amateurs turned professional they disappeared into virtual obscurity. Players like Pancho Gonzalez, Barry MacKay, Lew Hoad, Ken Rosewall, and Rod Laver, the current tennis king, all merited and received reams of publicity in their amateur days. But as pros they were fortunate to win an inch of type while still winning plenty of tournaments.

Pros defeated

Open tennis returns these veterans to the limelight.

In their own play-for-pay ranks they've honed their games. Now they have the opportunity to prove they are better than the best of the upstart amateurs.

Things haven't worked out that way, however.

In the world's first open tournament — the British Hard-Court Championships at Bournemouth, England—Mark Cox, a member of the the British Davis Cup team, knocked off two pros, Gonzalez and Roy Emerson, in consecutive rounds. But nobody was really convinced that his performance was much more than a flash in the pan.

The French, London Grass-Courts (Queen's), and Wimbledon open championships all attracted more spectators than ever before. And they ended the great myth of professional invincibility.

Amateurs toppled pros like ninepins. Obviously, the gap in standards was not nearly so wide as people had thought. Going into the United States Open Championships at Forest Hills, N.Y., Aug. 29-Sept. 8, Rosewall is the only pro who has not bowed to an amateur.

There were several cogent reasons for the upsets. The touring pros are divided into two groups—George MacCall's National Tennis League and Al Hill Jr.'s World Tennis, Inc. The first group rarely plays anything other than best-of-three-set matches. Until recently, the Hill group played only VASSS (Van Alen Simplified Scoring System) sets.

Preparation compared

In open tennis, best-out-of-five-set matches are routine. So the pros found themselves less well prepared mentally, if not physically, than some of their amateur opponents.

This was reflected in the players' approach to their matches. Any amateur scheduled to meet a professional could adopt an all-to-win, nothing-to-lose attitude. The pros, even when they won, admitted to feeling a sense of pressure simply because they were expected to win.

But outspoken Billie Jean King, herself a professional and winner for the third consecutive year of the Wimbledon women's singles title, summed up the situation most aptly:

"Those weren't amateurs who beat the professionals," she asserted. "They were professionals just like us."

What Mrs. King was implying was that the advent of open tennis certainly had not rid the game of "shamateurism," as had been hoped.

The hypocrisy of shamateurism had settled on tennis like a thick coat of dust. Tournament promoters bid for name players as if they were at an auction. And criticism mounted over reports of under-the-table payments of excessive expense money to so-called amateurs.

The British Lawn Tennis Association forced the issue. It announced it would stage open tournaments despite opposition by the International Lawn Tennis Federation (ILTF).

In face of this defiance, which supported in principle by the Australian, French, and United States lawn tennis associations, the ILTF compromised. It agreed to sanction a limited number of open tournaments this year in which pros and amateurs could compete.

And then it made a decision which may be recorded as one of the great all-time nonsenses of sport.

In addition to the categories of contracted touring professionals, club professionals, and amateurs, the ILTF conjured up a class to be known as "registered players." This was to comprise certain top-class amateur players who might claim larger expenses than run-of-the-mill performers.

It is subject to the discretion of the player's national association as to whether or not the category be recognized in his country.

To put it more bluntly, the ILTF legalized shamateurism!

"I asked the ILTF if I could become a registered player," said Marty Riessen, a former United States Davis Cupper, and the most recent addition to the pro ranks. "They told me I couldn't, because the United States Lawn Tennis Association [USLTA] doesn't accept registered players. They told me the only way was to become a registered player of some other country and pay taxes there.

"But I think that the USLTA is right in refusing to accept this category," he continued. "The original idea of open tennis was to take the dishonesty out of the game. By having registered players you're making the whole thing a joke.

"The registered player has gained everything," Riessen stressed. "A fellow like Tom Okker of Holland, who's a very good friend of mine, is now just like a free-lance pro. He can accept prize money at tournaments, claim high expenses, but he doesn't have to play if he doesn't want to."

To date Okker is the only nonprofessional to win a men's open event. The Flying Dutchman defeated Hoad in the Irish Open Championships. For his efforts he won $2,400. Not bad for a player still rated sufficiently amateur to represent his country in the amateur Davis Cup competition!

The Davis Cup is still the symbol of amateur international tennis supremacy. Most players hope to represent their country in the prestigious competition. Yet so many of the world's best amateurs have now turned pro the Davis Cup is losing some of its luster.

Status retained

A proposal to make the Davis Cup an open event was recently defeated by a substantial margin, however. The consensus is that it will remain an amateur event. But if the pros should eventually institute their own international event, the Davis Cup may become of very minor significance.

The original British concept of open tennis was that every competitor should be known merely as a "player." It would then be a matter of preference if they played for prize money or negotiated expenses with the tournament sponsors.

Logic suggests that this concept will eventually be accepted. In such a case what would become of the present touring professionals and their promoters or managers?

"Open tournaments have already proved their popularity, and they're giving tennis more exposure than ever before," said Roger Taylor, a British touring pro. "Spectators will always want to see the very best players, though. So now there'll merely be more incentive for places with no tennis tradition to stage tournaments."

The top shamateur has been able to make a very handsome living playing tennis on a year-round basis in the past. But the pro game is now on a sufficiently sound financial basis to offer even greater rewards.

The pros are convinced no jeopardy threatens their game. On the contrary, as open tournaments popularize tennis more than ever before, there will be even greater bonanzas to be reaped. When this is realized, world-class netmen such as Okker, who can beat them, will certainly be eager to join them.

The best performers may then share the anonymous title of "players," even though they'll all be pros in reality. But at least those players who still claim to be amateurs will almost certainly be amateurs!

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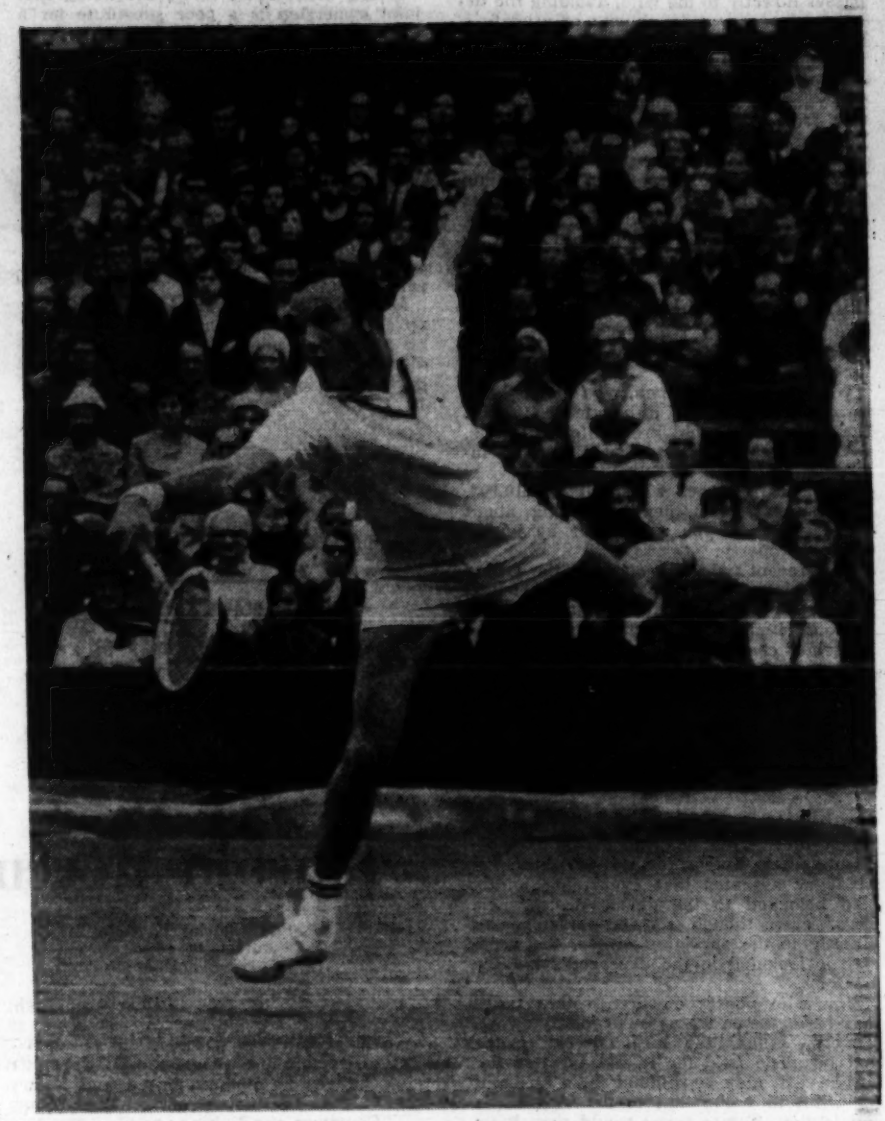
Rod Laver
The king of open tennis



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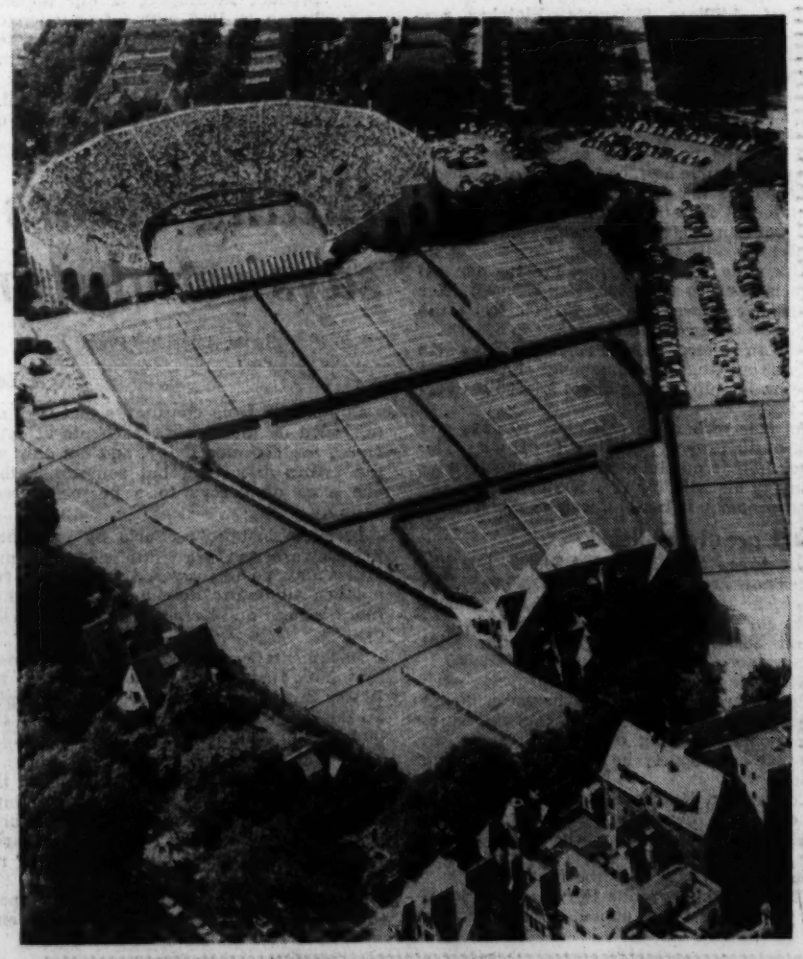
Flying Dutchman

Tom Okker of the Netherlands is probably the world's outstanding nonprofessional tennis player at the moment. But the Flying Dutchman, who is in the registered-player category, picked up a check for $2,400 when he won the Irish Open Championships.



West Side Tennis Club

Traditional site of the amateur championships, the West Side Tennis Club at Forest Hills, N.Y., will host the first United States Open Championships, Aug. 29-Sept. 8. More than 150 of the world's top tennis players will be competing for $100,000 in prize money.

Counsel urged

Joint ownership pays in some cases

By Richard C. Halverson
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Boston

Stretching your dollar

"Stay away from expensive joints," advises Paul B. Sargent, a Boston lawyer specializing in probate law.

Mr. Sargent is referring—cornily he admits—to joint ownership of property.

Joint ownership, with rights of survivorship, is a popular means of owning property to avoid probate of an estate. Upon the death of a husband, jointly-owned property passes directly to the wife, avoiding the delays, expenses, and publicity of probate.

But Mr. Sargent asserts that people get into plenty of trouble overdoing joint ownership. "People think it's the answer to everything," he complains. He points out that joint ownership usually is fine in certain cases, such as the family home.

In many cases, though, Mr. Sargent's law experience shows that going into "joints" can be costly. Especially in estates exceeding $100,000, Mr. Sargent points out that joint ownership can lead to extra or even double federal estate taxes and tricky gift tax complications.

Will still advisable

And joint ownership—though property passes directly—is certainly no substitute for a will.

With today's affluence, you don't have to be wealthy to build an estate of $100,000. House, personal, and group life insurance, savings, and stocks and bonds or other investments add up quickly.

Even with estates as small as $10,000, Mr. Sargent recommends thinking about the extra taxes you may incur by jointly owning property.

In a recent pair of brochures, the Irving Trust Company in New York advises husbands and wives to restrict joint ownership to basic items such as the family home, household checking, and an emergency savings account. But if the amount involved is substantial, the bank says see your lawyer for advice.

The rules involving joint ownership are complex. They vary substantially from state to state. And legal and tax pitfalls abound.

Double taxes possible

One of the major problems is possible double estate taxes. For tax purposes, the Treasury assumes that everything jointly held belonged to the deceased co-owner. Thus, even though the property passes directly to the surviving owner, the property is included in the deceased's taxable estate.

If a wife passes on first, estate taxes may be levied on the value of jointly owned property—unless the husband can prove that he alone paid for it. Years after the purchase, it may be difficult for a husband (or wife) to prove that to the Treasury's satisfaction. Estate taxes would then have to be paid.

Later, when the husband passes on, the same estate again will be taxed. Credits for prior taxes paid on the same estate soften somewhat the sting of double taxation, but such credits taper off from an initial 100 percent to zero 10 years after the first decease.

Even if the risk of double taxation is avoided, joint ownership can involve far higher estate taxes than are necessary.

Savings example cited

Prof. William Schwartz, Fletcher professor of law at Boston University, explains that sole ownership can sharply reduce estate taxes.

As an alternative, Professor Schwartz cites as an example a husband and wife who jointly own a $200,000 apartment house, with the husband paying the entire price. Upon his passing, one half, or $100,000, of the property passes tax free under the marital exemption. A flat standard exemption of $60,000 leaves a $40,000 net taxable estate. About $4,000 in estate taxes is due.

Upon the wife's passing, the taxable estate is $140,000 ($200,000, less $60,000). Her taxes are approximately $32,000. Thus the total for the two estates comes to $36,000.

As an alternative, Professor Schwartz points out that the husband should take sole ownership, saving about $28,000 in overall taxes.

As sole owner, he can elect to pass one half of the property outright to his wife. The other half is put into trust with the income going to his wife for life. She can leave the trust property to her children as she sees fit.

Total greatly reduced

His taxes are still about $4,000. But her taxes now are reduced from $32,000 to $4,000, since she owes no taxes on the half held in trust for her benefit. Total taxes now are about $8,000, against $36,000 under joint ownership, a thumping savings of $28,000.

Gift taxes may be due when property such as stock, real estate, or a business is put in joint names with the right of survivorship. The noncontributing owner has gotten an interest in property he or she didn't have before.

Conversely, if a husband and wife decide to end joint ownership—say to set up a trust—another gift tax may be due. The wife has "given" her half to the husband, even though he paid for it in the first place.

The Internal Revenue Service can't keep up with such transactions, so the gift-tax liability might not be realized until the first joint owner passes on. A bank executor of a will may be the first to spot the taxes due. Generous exemptions offset gift levies. But on large amounts of property, gift taxes bite hard, ranging from about 2 percent to more than 50 percent.

Property goes astray

Irving Trust notes in its brochures that joint ownership is a poor substitute for a will, especially when both parents pass on simultaneously. In some cases, half the joint property goes to the wife's parents or brothers and sisters, something the husband may not have wanted.

Also property in joint ownership normally passes outside of a will, not under it. Irving Trust cites the case of the man and wife who jointly owned 25 shares of Consolidated Edison stock and 206 shares of New England Telephone. The man's will left the 25 shares of Consolidated to his son. But as surviving owner, the wife got the 25 shares, rather than his son.

Moreover, if a husband attempts to set up a trust in his will, he may find most of his property in joint names. He then cannot dispose of it as he wishes until he gets it back in his name.

Check your tires?

Inspector Leonard Woodall uses X-ray equipment to examine a giant tire at the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company plant in Topeka, Kan. This tire goes on an earth-moving vehicle.

British face decision on import restrictions

By John Allan May
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BUSINESS

The moment of decision for the British economic authorities must be very close at hand.

The decision will have to be between reversing the present policy over the payments gap by introducing controls on imports or asking the International Monetary Fund to take emergency action to spread repayment of Britain's vast debts over a much longer period than now contemplated.

There also may have to be a decision between import quotas and further deflation.

If present policies work without fresh action of some kind—if they bring a payments surplus after all—it will be a very, very, close run thing. Britain will get by only by the skin of its teeth.

And it may not get by at all.

The National Institute of Economic and Social Research (NIESR), an independent organization that is nevertheless very close to the government, in its latest survey of the economy concludes that there will be an overall payments deficit by the end of the year of something like £600 million ($1.44 billion).

That would be very nearly as bad as the gap that existed when Labour again resumed office at the end of 1964.

Most of this deficit—£450 million—however, already has accrued.

There should therefore be "a very high rate of improvement from now on," the institute says.

The improvement could indeed be sufficient to provide a surplus of £250 million in 1969, accelerating toward a stable total of around £400 million.

May error admitted

But, NIESR admits, it was wrong before, in its May forecast. That proved much too optimistic. It may be wrong again.

"At the present time," it declares, "a very large margin of error must attach to the central forecast of the balance of payments."

There is, for a start, the international situation.

There is the American tax surcharge. There is the French quota system. There are threats of strikes.

There might be a surplus of £500 million in 1969 or no surplus at all.

In this situation NIESR comes down unhesitatingly for controls on imports.

Britain, it points out, has two obligations to its international trading partners. To some extent they are for the present contradictory. One obligation is to freedom of trade. The other is to the repayment of its debts.

"These obligations are already, and may become increasingly, in conflict," NIESR warns, "and this conflict should be explicitly recognized."

The obvious advantages of import quotas are that they are provided for in the articles of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade; that they could be used to maintain a controlled surplus of £500 million a year, which is sufficient to let Britain repay its debts; and that they would permit some reflation of the British economy.

And the fact is deflation, as practiced by the present government, has not worked.

There may be room for argument as to whether it has worked because the government while deflating the private sector has inflated the public. It is spending millions more than it can either tax or borrow. Perhaps Britain just has a mysterious "propensity to import." But there is no possible argument over the facts of the situation.

Import crisis arises

The balance of payments has not come right in the time expected.

Yet exports have been increasing faster than expected.

This now is an important crisis. If Britain's international debts are not "funded" the only guaranteed way of ensuring a surplus is by cutting imports.

That will not restore the economy, of course. It won't overcome the basic problem, which is probably inflation.

Yet more deflation of the type employed up to now in the effort to correct things will not overcome that either.

There probably will be 700,000 out of work in Britain this winter. With more deflation of this kind there soon would be 1,000,000.

More deflation of the private sector of the economy would produce a slump.

There is no slump in Britain at the present moment. There is difficulty. There's a pinch that's felt by many millions of Britons. But there is no slump. Britain's exporters indeed are being tremendously successful. Britain's industries are being revitalized.

So despite the fact that the balance of payments does not come dramatically right at the last moment, action of some kind will be needed to give Britain the time to conquer its inflation and repay its debts—without having to suffer a decade of relative poverty in order to do so.

Previewing the '69's

Continental look

A long hood and full-width grille feature the Marquis and the Marquis Brougham (shown here), a new line of luxury cars offered by Ford's Lincoln-Mercury Division.

Lincoln-Mercury unveils the Marquis

By Charles E. Dole
Automotive editor of The Christian Science Monitor

Dearborn, Mich.

Ford's Lincoln-Mercury Division is thinking bigger for '69.

Proclaiming the most dramatic changes in medium-priced and luxury cars in the history of the Ford Motor Company, the division unveils a new line of cars bearing the Marquis nameplate, a new, full-size sports-specialty car named the Marauder, and a bigger, completely new Monterey.

And, for the first time since it was introduced two years ago, the '69 Cougar line, newly styled, carries a convertible—both in the standard Cougar and the XR-7.

The entire '69 line, says M. S. McLaughlin, general manager, "represents the fourth stage in the complete product revamping of our division. It began in 1966 with introduction of the Cougar, continued last fall with the Montego, and this spring with the Continental Mark III."

There will be 37 models in all, two more than at the start of the '68 model year last fall.

Pointing to the division's deeper penetration of the marketplace, now about 5 percent of the total domestic sales, Mr. McLaughlin said that "based on the response of our customers to our previous major innovations, we are confident that our steady resurgence in the marketplace will continue."

Through the end of July, Lincoln-Mercury had built almost 90,000 more cars than in the first seven months of 1967, including almost 8,000 superluxury Mark III's.

The new Marquis and Marquis Brougham hardtops, sedans, and convertibles are on a 124-inch wheelbase. In total, there are eight models. The convertible, with a new top design, provides full rear-seat comfort for three adults.

All Mercurys share a striking similarity in appearance to the top-line Continental with long hood and short deck.

The new Marauder and Marauder X-100, two-door hardtops with a wheelbase of 121 inches, are designed to bring sportiness and high performance in a new size to the medium-priced field. Standard engine is 360 horses. Although the front styling is similar to the Marquis, the new hardtops are of tunnelback design, with the trailing edges of the rear roof pillars flowing down and extending to the rear.

Longer and roomier

The Monterey and Monterey Custom line of nine models is longer and roomier with overall length up almost two inches. Wheelbase is increased to 124 inches and both front and rear tread is wider.

Cougar, with a newly styled, sculptured side, is 3½ inches longer and almost three inches wider. The top on the first convertible in the line is said to stack lower because of a new type of convertible top linkage. The back window of clear tempered glass has an invisible hinge in its center. Standard power plant is a new 250 h.p. V-8; a four-barrel version boosts horsepower to 290.

The Montego, introduced a year ago, has a fresh apearance and two new engines, one a six, the other a V-8. Top-performance intermediate is a new model, the Cyclone CJ, with 335-h.p. engine for high power at what Mercury says is a modest price.

All Mercurys are scheduled to go on sale in dealer showrooms on Sept. 27.

Billing errors increase, says retail-store study

By the Associated Press

New York

Complaints from consumers that they are misbilled on their credit accounts at retail stores are common today, and not only are the errors disturbing but sometimes they are even dangerous to a person's credit rating.

In some instances efforts by customers to resolve errors are fruitless. A customer letter may go unanswered except for still another automatic dunning notice, slightly more intense and irritating than the earlier one.

Documentation for what some customers may have suspected is now provided by the Better Business Bureau here. In "A Report To Business" it finds a sharp increase in the number of billing-error complaints filed with it.

During the first quarter of 1968, said the bureau after analyzing 42,000 complaints, "incorrect billing or crediting of accounts comprised 6 percent of the total compared with 4.9 percent in the previous report," released three months earlier.

This, it continued, "constitutes a 22 percent increase in the percentage of complaints about incorrect billing or crediting of accounts." A spokesman added: "We've noticed a startling increase for a year to a year and a half now."

The figures cited are for the New York area and are not necessarily representative of the nation. Although widespread, the problem hits various areas at different times and with different intensities. Customers of some stores don't experience the problem at all.

In an effort to explain the problem, the controller of a large department store agreed to give his explanation of the confusion but asked that he not be identified.

"It sounds like it results from stores changing over to EDP," he said, referring to electronic data processing. "The stores are changing from country-club billings to descriptive bills.

"Country club—it's part of the vernacular. It's the kind of billing they use at the country clubs. You know, you get your chits with the bill. The same with the stores—they include the saleschecks with the monthly statement.

"Now many stores are shifting over to one-line descriptions of items. They're handling their billing with machines. And unless you change over with care you can have problems."

U.S. savings rise in July

By the Associated Press

New York

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Why Iraqi President urged Russians to leave Prague

By John K. Cooley
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

Beirut, Lebanon

Iraq's President was the first Arab head of state to express alarm over Soviet intervention in Czechoslovakia.

Gen. Ahmed Hassan al-Bakr, the Iraqi chief of state, Saturday publicly called for withdrawal of the Soviets and their East European allies.

Agency dispatches from Baghdad quoted General Bakr as telling the Soviet chargé d'affaires in Baghdad: "We hope that Warsaw Pact forces will withdraw from Czechoslovakia in the shortest possible time so as to provide no pretext for another power to intervene and force itself on others."

General Bakr was quoted as adding that he "hopes Czechoslovakia will stay in the Soviet camp."

Earlier Iraqi comment was typified by the English language newspaper Baghdad Observer which wrote Aug. 22 that Czechoslovakia should remain socialist "so it may continue its support to Arab peoples" and predicted early withdrawal of the Warsaw Pact troops.

The paper criticized the United States information media "for shedding tears" over Czechoslovakia while "forgetting bloodbaths in Vietnam . . . and the miserable conditions in which Arab refugees have lived during the past 20 years."

U.S. made a target

Observers here expected General Bakr's stand might influence other Arab governments which have been avoiding comment. General Bakr heads a faction of the Baath (Arab socialist) Party which seized power in Iraq last month.

This faction of the Baath is the rival of another in power in Syria since February, 1966.

The Baghdad Baathists are persistently reported here to be aiming at a power comeback in Damascus. Their ranks have been reinforced in recent days by the arrival of Syrian exiles from Lebanon and Europe. Semiofficial Syrian commentaries have approved the Soviet action in Czechoslovakia in qualified terms.

"The Iraqi comment is thought especially significant because Iraq, like Egypt, Syria, and Algeria is a large recipient of Soviet military economic and diplomatic support.

General Bakr's regime has explained its foreign policy in other areas at great length but has said almost nothing about the Soviet Union beyond minimum routine declarations of "fraternal solidarity."

Algeria also has impressed hesitant Arab observers by abstaining in the UN Security Council vote in which the Soviets vetoed the Western resolution on Czechoslovakia.

Egypt, more involved with Moscow than any other Arab state, has been almost silent on Czechoslovakia. President Nasser has not commented. Cairo broadcasts and newspapers at first used mainly Soviet sources in their news reports but began swinging more and more to Western accounts of events in central Europe by Saturday.

General embarrassment

The Cairo radio comment—that the Soviet action appeared "justified"—seems to have been an isolated remark.

Cairo in fact appears to share the general Arab embarrassment that the one great power wholeheartedly backing the Arab world has got itself into such trouble.

For Cairo, as for Algiers, there is an added embarrassment. Yugoslavia's President Tito is a close friend of President Nasser and other Arab leaders, and Yugoslavia is firmly on the side of the Czechs.

Czechoslovakia itself has been an important provider of military, economic, cultural, and technical assistance to Arab states. For instance, Radio Prague has largely equipped the Algerian news agency and radio and television news operations.

Many Arab journalists, engineers, and other professional men have trained or are training in Czechoslovakia.

Teacher union backs NEA tie

By the Associated Press

Cleveland

Supporters of "teacher power" through unity with the National Education Association have received a clear mandate from delegates to the American Federation of Teachers annual convention.

All 20 candidates of the federation's Progressive Caucus, which favors a merger between the AFT and the million-member NEA, were elected to office.

The elections were a setback for the New Caucus, a militant group which opposes any merger with the NEA. Their five candidates were all defeated, including caucus chairman Ed Simpkins of Detroit.

In presidential balloting, Progressive Caucus candidate David Selden, a New Yorker, won 1,320 votes, compared with 586 for the New Caucus candidate, Mrs. Zeline Richard of Detroit, and 503 for Edward C. Bolstad of Minnesota, an independent. Mr. Bolstad also opposed any merger with the NEA.

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Tornado experiment failed

By Alan Grayson
Sports writer of The Christian Science Monitor

The Dallas Tornado can claim two firsts this year.

It was the first North American Soccer League team to undertake an extended tour abroad. And it was the first of 17 teams to determine its final place in the NASL standings.

Unfortunately for the Dallas fans, of course, final is the right word! The Tornado long has been mired inextricably in the depths of the Gulf Division table.

After winning 10 out of 45 games on a five-month world tour the youthful Tornado squad returned to the United States to set an almost unprecedented record of ineptitude for a pro soccer team. Its first win came in the 22d game of a 32-game schedule. Most of the other games ended in losses—several by five- or six-goal margins.

Last season's standard

"I thought that our world tour was a wonderful idea," said Brian Harvey, a midfield linkman who has been one of the brighter lights in the Tornado's gloom. "But it just wasn't realistic. Bob Kap, our coach, was trying to show off American soccer to the world. And, moreover, people did associate us with the United States, even though Jay Moore was the only American on the squad.

"The tour was quite successful from the spectator point of view," he continued. "We had about 50,000 watch us play the Chinese national team in Taipei. But, when we got back from our tour in February, Kap had been away from the country for six months. And I honestly think he'd been preparing us for last season's standard of soccer.

"Everyone I've talked to has told me how much the standards have risen since last season," Harvey added. "Before our season began here we went down to see Kansas City beat Houston. And I thought then that while we might beat them soccerwise, we wouldn't be physically strong enough to outplay them, because the average age of our team was only 20."

With almost two-thirds of the schedule completed the Dallas ownership—primarily Lamar Hunt and L. W. McNutt Jr.—accepted the fact they were pursuing an utterly impossible dream.

So Kap was replaced as coach by Keith Spurgeon. And newly acquired veterans like Ron Foster, Joe Puls, Ron Newman, and Terry Adlington, were slotted into the team to replace youngsters who had tried hard, but who had just lacked the necessary experience.

'Just like orphans'

"I think Harvey typifies the spirit of these young lads," Spurgeon said. "I've very rarely met a finer bunch. They don't know how to give up. They never stop running, and they've got stamina and energy that's unbelievable.

"It just goes to show that no club in the world can win with all young players," he pointed out. "They became just like orphans with no one to guide them. But, since the experienced players have been in the side, Brian has improved more than anyone else. He's really shot up, and he's going to be a really fine player."

Harvey is not at all disillusioned by the Tornado's poor performances this year. He accepts that the standards of other teams rose faster. But he reckons he's learned plenty by playing against performers of world-class caliber, such as Enrique Mateos of the Cleveland Stokers, for instance.

Brian Harvey
". . . a different proposition next year"

Quick passing stressed

"We got to the stage where we'd really lost a game before we started to play," he admitted. "But if you made a mistake you knew none of your teammates was going to shout at you or tell you off. Everyone in the team was equal. It was a great idea, but it just wasn't feasible.

"Kap was trying to take the best out of every style of soccer and make it our own," Brian explained. "He stressed quick passing—one-two, one-two—and he wouldn't allow anyone to dribble the ball or shout for it. He said that if nobody's shouting for it you have to look more to see where they are.

"Since Spurgeon came, though, we've had a much greater work rate, and physically we're now in 100 percent shape. But so far he's hardly had time to discuss tactics, he's been so busy getting us into some semblance of a team.

"Without a doubt Dallas is going to be a very different proposition next year. But I can't help wondering what our original team would have been like in four years time if we could have continued playing together," Harvey added with a touch of regret.

Baseball standings

(Through Aug. 25)

NATIONAL LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.	GB	AMERICAN LEAGUE	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	83	48	.634	—	Detroit	81	49	.623	—
San Francisco	69	60	.535	13	Baltimore	75	53	.586	5
Cincinnati	67	59	.532	13½	Cleveland	71	62	.534	11½
Chicago	69	63	.523	14½	Boston	69	62	.527	12½
Atlanta	64	66	.492	18½	Oakland	66	63	.512	14½
Pittsburgh	62	68	.477	20½	New York	63	63	.500	16
Philadelphia	60	68	.469	21½	Minnesota	61	68	.473	19½
Houston	61	70	.466	22	California	58	72	.446	23
New York	59	73	.447	24½	Chicago	54	76	.415	27
Los Angeles	55	74	.426	27	Washington	48	78	.381	31

SPORTS

Detroit vs. Baltimore in six crucial dates

By Ed Rumill
Chief sports columnist of The Christian Science Monitor

It was on his final visit to Boston that Mayo Smith said: "That would be something to see, wouldn't it—Dennis McLain against Bob Gibson?"

It was the closest the manager of the Detroit Tigers had come to admitting that he might meet the St. Louis Cardinals in the approaching World Series.

But hold on a minute. The Tigers in the World Series? Are you sure?

Scenes have a way of changing rapidly in big-league baseball and the men decorating the American League stage did a rather good change-over job the past weekend. In a stretch of three days Smith's Tigers went from a rather safe-looking 7½ games in front of Baltimore to a precarious five, with a count of four in the lost column.

Six more big dates

The lost column? Yes, it's that time of the year again. It's that point on the schedule where the importance of the losing side grows with each passing day. Because a game in the lost column is gone forever. But a game in the win column means only that the trailing club has played one game less than the leader. And if the trailer eventually wins that game, the two are tied.

There must be a refreshing confidence in the camp of the Baltimore club in this final week in August and even an outsider can understand it. For this coming weekend the Orioles invade Tiger Stadium, Detroit, for three big games with the leaders. And even if something goes wrong on that occasion, the O's still have three September dates with the Bengals at Baltimore.

The Orioles now have the best pitching in the AL and their veteran offensive spark, Frank Robinson, has started hitting as only he can. Shortly after Earl Weaver succeeded Hank Bauer as manager—at the all-star break—Don Buford was installed as a regular outfielder. And that has helped, too. Don's speed and bat are playing a key role in the Oriole threat.

Smith's ace, McLain, has admitted a weariness in his pitching arm that could make a difference in the final month and the veteran Al Kaline was injured out of action for a few days.

Outfielder turned pitcher

The Orioles, who had won six of their last eight and 21 of 28 through weekend action, got considerable help from an unexpected source. While Weaver was taking two out of three from the fading Boston Red Sox—including Sunday's 18-inning marathon—the awakened New York Yankees were sweeping four from the Tigers.

In fact, it was like old times—the Yankees winning in bunches. They had won 12 out of 15, including 4-1 versus the Tigers. And with Boston and Oakland inconsistent, the Yanks were once again making eyes at the first division.

The Yankee story was livened by the appearance of Rocky Colavito as a relief pitcher. And since he was in there when his mates rallied and went ahead, he got credit for the victory. That was in the first half of the Sunday doubleheader. Rocky was back in the outfield in the nightcap and his home run, the 372nd of his career, helped win that one. It must have been especially humiliating to the Tigers to be beaten by a outfielder turned pitcher.

Before losing four at New York, the Tigers had done 15-4. Also, they did not fall apart in the field against the Yanks. The Smith crew played errorless, if losing ball. So perhaps we still will see McLain against Gibson in October.

Battle royal for second

Meanwhile, despite an occasional short stretch of .500 ball, the Cardinals must already be planning ahead for the World Series. The National League has been reduced to a battle royal for the runnerup spot between San Francisco, Cincinnati, and Chicago, with the chance that Atlanta might also join the fun before the National League schedule runs out.

There were all sorts of impressive won-and-lost records through weekend play. The Giants, 12-4, had taken over second place. The Reds, 10-3, were third. The Cubs 5-2, had pushed past the Braves. Pittsburgh, 5-4, was gazing longingly at the first division, as was Houston, 8-2.

The Los Angeles Dodgers lost eight straight, but snapped out of it against the Giants on Sunday. But the losing string left some folks wondering if Walt Alston's managerial future might be on shaky ground.

The American League was without a .300 hitter again, with the two Minnesota boys, Rod Carew and Tony Oliva, battling for the lead. Pete Rose still led the NL by a wide margin.

In the Little League field, Japan beat Richmond 1-0 to win the world series at Williamsport, Pa. It was the second win in a row for a Japanese team and may be a hint of things to come in baseball's big-league world.

Clarke schedules Olympic peak

By Sydney Skilton
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

London

Has there ever been a more consistent runner than Ron Clarke?

For a sixth successive year the smooth-striding Australian has come up with a world record. This time it was an improvement on his own two-mile mark by two-tenths of a second to 8 m, 19.6 s. Before Sept. 3 he could well have improved world bests for 3,000 meters, 10,000 meters, and 5,000 meters. These are distances he is to race over at three different centers in Gothenburg and London.

In between he aims to join the sub four-minute mile club as a guest competitor at the London Fire Brigade sports on Aug. 31. After his 5,000 meters race at London's White City on Sept. 2. He returns to the French altitude training camp in the Pyrénées to prepare for fresh onslaughts on world and European records. Then it's off to Lake Tahoe, the United States high altitude base, to apply the final touches to his Olympic medal bids at Mexico City in October.

No mystery

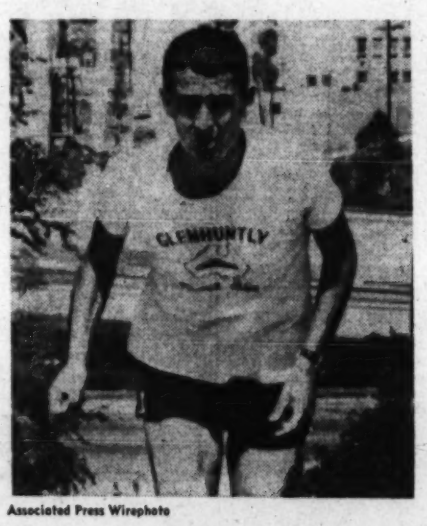
Just how Ron keeps on running is no mystery. This has been his life since 1956 when he so proudly bore the Olympic torch into the arena at his native Melbourne. Coupled with an astute business brain (accountancy and salesmanship) he manages a way of life completely contradicting the loneliness and toil image of the long-distance runner.

On this particular tour, Clarke's wife and two children are accompanying him, something he promised them for his previous absences on self-exile. The plan is for them to be with him at Mexico City hoping to see him collect the medal, or medals, that have eluded him through two Olympiads.

After his disappointments at Tokyo he made plans to transfer himself, his family and his businesses to Mexico City to acclimatize to the 7,350-foot altitude. But the International Olympic Committee and the Australian Olympians themselves decreed otherwise. So Clarke had to re-jig his attitude to altitude and operate at similarly high places while ostensibly working other than at professional athletics.

As fast as ever

The plan has brought forth a very fit 1968 Clarke. He is running as fast as ever he was and gives no credit to his form for living at high altitude. "It's just that I have done little else but train and I find I am able to run and race without tension," he explained.



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Ron Clarke
. . . almost constant improvement

Clarke, sun-tanned and almost as dark-skinned as the Kenyan Kipjo Keino who was supposed to have accompanied him on the world two-mile record attack, described his performance as highly satisfactory. "This for me was magnificent," he said within minutes of coming off the Crystal Palace Tartan (synthetic resin) track.

For those watching him it was magnificent, too. The way the Australian went to the 17th world record of his career and left trailing behind four of Britain's representatives he will meet at Mexico City was a revelation of precision running.

Cheerless reception

He went through the mile in 4:07.8. Not only was this testimony to his phenomenal pace judgment because he had decided he wanted to be there in 4:7, but abundant evidence that a sub-four minute mile is there for him any time conditions are right.

From the mile Clarke was out on his own. Mightily and majestically he strode leaving further behind British runners who earlier this season had satisfied home audiences as they strove for Olympic qualifying standards.

This time the home runners came in for a very cheerless reception. The 9,000 crowd wondered why these competitors had considered their journey necessary. The nearest to Clarke was Mike Tagg in 8:40, more than eight seconds away below the British best of the season and most disappointing when the Mexico City minded should be working to a peak.

Clarke himself feels he is working to an Olympic peak. "I know I am working out right," he said. "This two miles proved it. I didn't get tired in the second half of the race. I ran the last mile in 4:11.8. Had I been tiring I would have been nearer 4:20 or something like that. Once you get tired, you get tired, and start going back."

Britons picture Chicago as garrison, not leadership crucible

By John Allsn May
Staff correspondent of The Christian Science Monitor

London

Is this how it truly is in Chicago?

The convention city is being pictured to the people of Britain as an armed camp.

There behind a kind of political Berlin wall, it is being reported, candidates without a hope of victory in the big race are running in a rather tasteless preliminary.

The poor, the colored, the oppressed, the progressive, and all the most pressing problems of American society are, we are told, rigorously excluded.

The whole affair is quite as anachronistic, so the commentators say, as the Soviet intervention in Czechoslovakia.

American politicians, they infer, have understood as little of the progress made by the movement of men's thinking on the purposes of society as the Russians have of the ineluctable undertow of freedom that is dragging away the underpinnings of their oppressive, monolithic communism.

Besides, the reporters add, is it not obvious that the next president of the United States of America will be Republican Richard M. Nixon?

There is also a strong mood of anxiety and pessimism reflected in their comments.

"The lid is down so tight here [Chicago] that the pot may explode in our faces," writes Joe Rogaly, United States editor of the Financial Times.

"We are guarded by 30,000 and more armed men," he declares, and adds that Air Force reconnaissance planes are scanning the streets as if they were in enemy country.

"Over and above all this is the smell of defeat," he concludes, "in November."

Dissidents' rally awaited

"The big threat is expected on Wednesday night," writes the Guardian's Alistair Cooke. "A civilian army recruited by the National Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam and the Youth International Party will rally in a downtown park and tramp the five miles to the amphitheater. They have asked their women and children to stay home.

"This is the moment that everybody fears. . . . The moment they come within sight of the amphitheater could be Chicago's finest or bloodiest hour."

It is, of course, the hope of every Briton who knows, respects, and loves America that it will prove the finest hour.

(It is notable that the Churchillian phrase echoes back to Britain from Chicago as it has done from Prague. The totally different type and scale of events in these two quite disparate cities are yet united by this feeling of decisive challenge.)

Interest intent

It will be in the dual hopes of seeing and hearing the press once more proved wrong (or at least exaggerated) and true leadership again emerging that the British will watch on television and listen to their radios for hours on end in the next few days.

Perhaps there has never been a political convention quite so open to public gaze as this one, behind all its local security precautions, its armed guards and secret agents.

Will the Democratic Party meet the challenge of the times?

With its greatest antagonist, the Soviet Union, failing to meet the challenge, will America?

The British have a feeling of direct involvement today, which they have never had before, in an event more usually seen as a kind of political carnival.

What is it truly like in Chicago today?

★ Czechs see hope of compromise with Soviets

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and his colleagues, the Soviets will have admitted that they did not meet with support inside Czechoslovakia.

The many appeals to Moscow and the allegedly Czech denunciations of Messrs. Dubcek and associates which were read to the UN Security Council by Ambassador Jakov A. Malik will have turned out to be so much hot air.

And these anonymous appeals amounted to something, the Soviets would have succeeded in setting up in Prague or Bratislava a government and a party leadership to their liking.

Although there were some dissidents in Prague, as shown by the fact that the Soviets on Aug. 22 gained the support of three conservative leaders, including two members of the party Presidium, the Soviets themselves seem to have come to the conclusion that these dissidents did not amount to much.

Moscow clearly preferred a political to a military solution. Several factors contributed to this course. Although the hard-liners and, for the first time, also the military, seemed to have gained the upper hand in Soviet policy deliberations, the conciliators in the Politburo, represented by general secretary Leonid I. Brezhnev and Premier Alexei Kosygin still have to be reckoned with.

Suslov role seen

Second party secretary Mikhail A. Suslov, too, apparently followed the conciliatory line. Public opinion also played a role. The quiet, reasoning attitude of the Czechs was beginning to make a dent in the Soviet occupation army's stance. Inside the Soviet Union, too, critical voices must have made themselves heard.

The critical attitude of many natural scientists is known. The intellectual and artistic elite was protesting loudly.

And what is more, according to a recent report, many of the younger directors and managers of industrial enterprises feel that economic reform in the Soviet Union cannot be carried through successfully without some of the political reforms introduced in Czechoslovakia.

If the clock is turned back, these directors and managers warned, hopes of a great upswing of the economy are dim.

Public opinion stirred

Inside the bloc, too, public opinion was stirring. Even East Germany dissenters mustered the courage to call on the Czech embassy and to go on record in support of the Czech Party and government leadership.

The outright opposition of the Romanians and Yugoslavs also has to be considered. If the hard-liners in the Kremlin had prevailed, Romania might have been the next country to be visited by Warsaw Pact forces.

The political and economic cost of such a course would have been very great indeed.

The impassioned protest of West European Communist leaders and of most Communist parties all over the world was another factor.

Without a compromise, Soviet communism would lose the last threads of its charisma.

It would become increasingly difficult for the Kremlin's ideologists to quote Lenin in support of their cause.

How solid the reported compromise will turn out to be is another matter. Few people in Czechoslovakia could have believed that their venerable President and the resourceful Mr. Dubcek would prevail.

The reported promise to withdraw the Warsaw Pact forces would be a relief to the Czechoslovaks. However, they probably will continue to use prudence rather than defiance.

Whatever the outcome, the complexion of the Soviet empire or commonwealth will no longer be the same, and further momentous development can be expected in the Soviet Union and in the rest of the bloc.

Columbia dean asks 'quiet'

By the Associated Press

New York

A Columbia University planner has suggested a letter be sent to all prospective Columbia students urging "an atmosphere of reasonable quiet" this fall on a campus torn by student disorders last spring.

The proposal was made by Prof. Herbert A. Deane, vice-provost for Academic planning.

He said the letter's theme should be: "Don't make it impossible for changes to occur."

Dr. Deane said the letter should "make quite clear what the rules are for this fall."

He and James E. Connor, an assistant professor of government, have drafted three working papers on restructuring the university. Drawn up after consultation with faculty and student groups, the papers have been submitted to Dr. David B. Truman, vice-president and provost.

Other studies, due to be completed by late September, have been made by the faculty executive committee and students for a restructured university, Dr. Deane said.

Campus turmoil last April and May, when police were called in three times to oust demonstrators, was precipitated in part by student demands for changes in university policies.

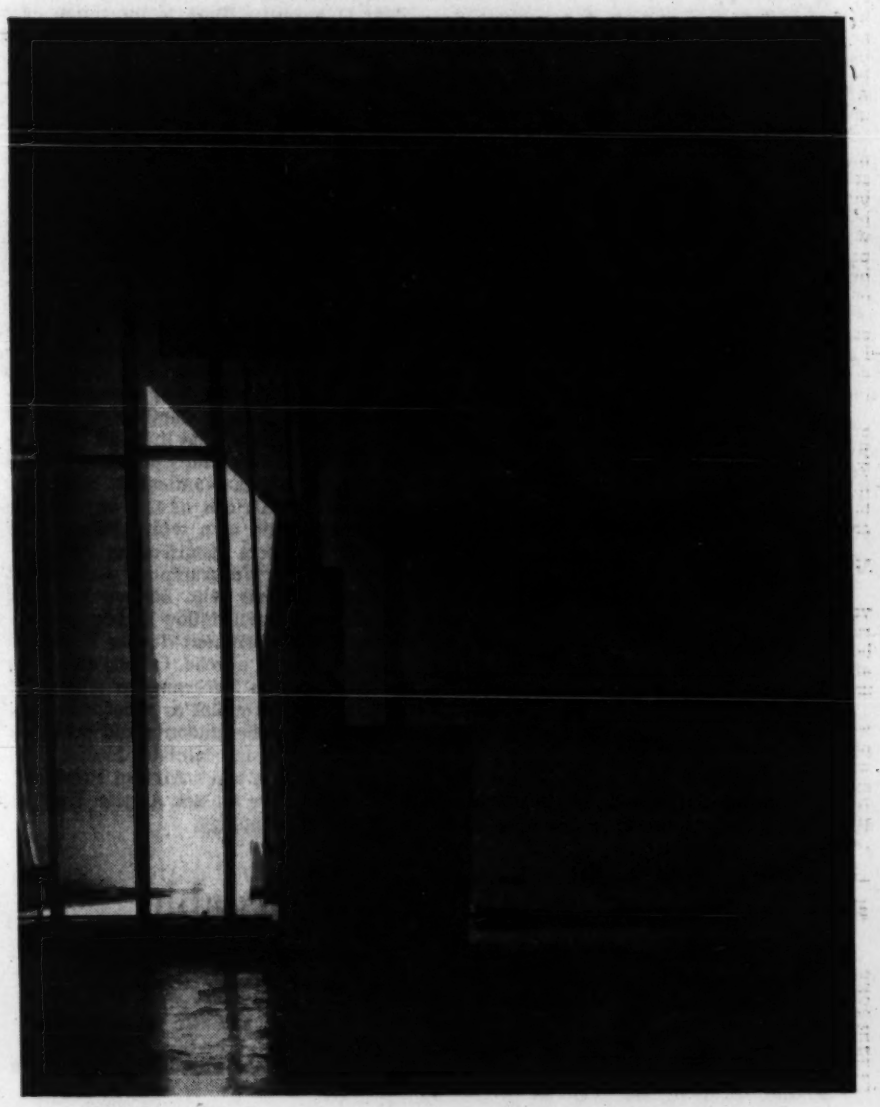
Dr. Grayson Kirk, former Columbia president, resigned last Friday.

Photos by Ann Kureen.

Elements of style

Photographer Ann Kureen has produced a photographic study of the building-in-progress stage of the new Brockton Art Center, Brockton, Mass. The new structure makes liberal use of woods from its sand-blasted ceiling beams to the cedar shakes used in the siding.

Two-by-fours
. . . and workmen reflected in rainwater.



Unfinished composition

Inside the partly finished art center a swath of light cuts the darkness to create an arresting pattern against bare boards.

A warm rural/cultural experience

By Christopher Andreae

FAMILY FEATURES

Miniature lagoon, tearoom, library-lounge with fireplace, view of pond and surrounding woodland . . . if this description of Brockton Art Center sounds like an ad for country living, it is probably because the center is conceived by its first director, Edouard Du Buron, and by its architect, J. Timothy Anderson and Associates, as a kind of combination rural/cultural experience. The center, to be finished by the end of 1968, also includes three main galleries, three studios for art classes, two administrative areas, and storage rooms.

The buildings are deliberately "rural" in character with contrasting heavy cedar shakes, and smooth vertical siding on the exterior; inside, plenty of undisguised wood between tall glass windows; and supporting the roofs vast sand-blasted beams of old Southern pine. Beige seamless monk's cloth will cover the gallery walls. The fireplace in the library, niched between two windows overlooking the pond, is a feature the director is particularly proud of. The architect has made interesting use of a variety of different levels and of connecting-link bridges to join different parts of the center and act as extra galleries.

Ground was broken for the new building on Nov. 20 last year. The center will open with a show of New England Art gathered from New England Museums on Nov. 15 this year.

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Its site is on the edge of Brockton's 700 acre D. W. Field Park. It overlooks Upper Porter's Pond, complete with ducks. Money for the building of the center was left by Myron Fuller, a pioneer geologist and traveler who died in 1960. He left all his money —which has accumulated to $1 million—for "a museum." What kind was not specified. It could have been a science museum, but the trustees chose to make it an arts center.

The total cost of the initial buildings (11 acres of land—and more to come—allow for future development) is around $600,000. Mr. Du Buron thinks its sphere of interest will be about 300,000 people. He is already busy signing up charter members, and he is not omitting Bostonians. "People think nothing of traveling 20 or 30 miles today to go to an exhibition," he assured me.

Mr. Du Buron for many years ran an art gallery (among other things) at the Grover Cronin department store in Waltham, Mass. Although this sounds an unpretentious occupation, the caliber of art he managed to show in the gallery is quite remarkable. He showed Picassos, de Chiricos, Morandis not seen in the United States before. He organized the first one-man show in the country of paintings by the British artist Francis Bacon. "At that time," he recalls, "I could have bought those paintings for $900 apiece!"

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Ann Kureen, who took the accompanying photographs of the building in progress, feels that Mr. Du Buron is a "visionary." She points out that he has conceived of the center as serving the whole South Shore. He had to fight for the site. Instead of an institutional structure in the middle of town, or down a back street, the center has been placed so that even Brocktonians have to go out of town to visit it. Mr. Du Buron feels there is something warm about the rural atmosphere of the center, and indeed there is a sense of private residence about it even in its unfinished state. "With someone else it might have been just a museum," Miss Kureen observed.

Brockton, 23 miles south of Boston, is said to be one of the fastest-growing cities on the East Coast of the United States. Core city for a dozen suburban towns, it is partly a "bedroom" city and partly industrial on its own account. Shoes and electronics are its main industries. Culturally speaking, the city boasts a 20-year-old symphony orchestra. By the end of the year it will add an exceptional art center to its credit.

Dialogue with youth

By Erwin D. Canham
Editor in chief of
The Christian Science Monitor

Reader: The recent Republican Convention has me disturbed. In an editorial you hoped the convention would genuinely reflect the thought of the country and perhaps set a precedent by daringly naming a totally new face. Most people I've come in contact hoped the same and I certainly did. The convention, however, followed a very "conventional" pattern. What seemed worse was the implications surrounding the selection of the V-P. This man had previously supported a different candidate whom he dropped over a matter of etiquette. He then switched loyalties, made the nominating speech and coincidentally came up the running mate. It all sounds like a sell-out to me though being a lover of honesty I'd like to think it isn't. What do you think? How much "selling-out" really goes on in politics.

Gail A. F.
Centerville, Ohio

E. D. C.: I was at the Miami Convention, and I do not believe there was any crass "deal" between Richard Nixon and Spiro Agnew. Governor Agnew did not shift his allegiance from Nelson Rockefeller, I am sure, just because of etiquette (viz. that he had not been told of Governor Rockefeller's transitional decision to withdraw from the race.) I am willing to give Governor Agnew credit for more substantial reasons, including an obvious belief that Mr. Nixon had the delegates to win. Further, I think Mr. Nixon chose Governor Agnew because he felt he stood, just right of center, at about the point where majority American opinion now stands. And he was a candidate who did not offend many, and with whom Mr. Nixon himself could agree. It was a surprise, but, in retrospect, it made much sense. The entire convention, I believe, reflected the majority thinking of the Republican Party structure. Whether the party wheelhorses represent majority thinking in the country is doubtful. We shall see in November.

A verse for today...

As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the Lord is tried: he is a buckler to all those that trust in him.—Ps. 18:30

Quotation for today

The only solid thing in this vast universe is love.
— JAMES FREEMAN CLARKE

Daily crossword puzzle

Across
1. Scarlett's home
5. Young demon
8. Residue
11. Wolfhound
12. Dowry
13. 1,002
14. Crew
15. Idling
17. Satiate
19. Dog's strap
20. Theater attendant
22. Ratite bird
23. Arikara
24. Purchase
26. Cancel
30. Shady
32. Side of a triangle
34. Fencing dummy
35. By birth
37. Eskimo canoe
39. Thespian
42. Responsibility
43. Towhee
45. Hart
48. Chess counters
49. Mongrel
50. Charles Lamb
51. Newt
52. Anecdotage
53. Size of paper

Down
1. Cardboard marker
2. Wing
3. Cattleman
4. Viewpoint
5. Lazily
6. Low
7. Hymn
8. Bowfin genus
9. Offenses
10. Lofty
16. Clan quarrel
18. Sphere
20. Woolly pyrol
21. High waves
22. Observe
25. Rubber tree
27. Letter
28. Sward
29. Wild animal
31. Understand
33. Weapon
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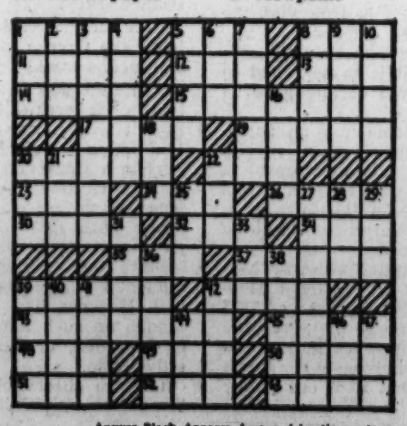
38. Pondered
39. Culmination
40. Head cook
41. Marquee
42. Gumbo
44. Pigeon
46. Objective
47. Mirthful



Answer Block Appears Among Advertisements

Camera wares at Photokina

Weekly camera column

Marked activity in the photographic industry is evident as camera- and equipment-makers prepare for the big showing of their wares at Photokina, world's largest photo fair, starting Sept. 28 in Cologne, Germany.

Several U.S. companies scheduled press previews in New York to prepare photo writers and their camera fan readers for what's ahead. One meeting that produced newsworthy material and a large number of new items was held by Honeywell, Inc., of Denver. It is one of the nation's leading companies as a manufacturer, importer, and distributor of photographic products.

The item of most interest, in my opinion, was the debut of the Rolleiflex SL26: a new 126 cartridge-loading, single, lens reflex camera with through-the-lens CdS metering, split-image rangefinder, and interchangeable lenses. Said to be the smallest, lightest SLR camera for the 126 cartridge, it starts an instant-load system with the Rollei precision name.

The SL26 has a normal 40mm f/2.8 Zeiss Tessar lens, a compur shutter for X-type synchronization at all shutter speeds through a hot shoe mount atop the pentaprism. A bayonet lens mount provides front element interchangeability for wide angle and telephoto shots with initial availability of 28mm f/3.2 and 80mm f/4 Pro-Tessar lenses.

The new camera should reach dealers' shelves the latter part of this year.

To mark the 20th anniversary of its well-established Strobonar electronic flash line, Honeywell introduced 14 new flash units in an effort to provide a portable electronic flash to fill every major need.

In the lineup are four new Auto-Strobonar units, two of them being newly designed shoe-mount types and one of which, the Auto-Strobonar 330, is the world's lowest-priced automatic-electronic flash unit at under $90.

The automatic-electronic flash was a revolutionary innovation when it was introduced by Honeywell in 1965. In use on a camera, it eliminates the need for using guide numbers and changing lens openings at different distances with flash pictures. Instead, a specified aperture setting is used at all distances from 2 feet to 23 feet. An electronic sensor on each automatic unit measures the illumination and turns off the electronic flash when the correct amount of light for proper exposure has been reached.

At the closest distance of two feet from the subject, the electronic flash may be cut off at 1/50,000 of a second. At the furthest distance, the maximum output of the flash will be provided at an exposure of 1/1000 of a second.

Irving Desfor
Associated Press

Honeybee

By Ferol Austen

Convention

If I were a delegate
I don't think I could wait
Until they nominated someone
So I could demonstrate.

Editorials **THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR** *Commentary*

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Democrats: no easy road

A nation beset by deep and divisive problems now looks to the Democratic maneuverings at Chicago to see whether the party of Roosevelt, Kennedy, and Johnson can produce the man and the program likely to give the country the reassurance it seeks.

Long before the balloting began, it was evident that Vice President Hubert Humphrey was close to possessing enough votes for a first-ballot victory. Still, the lack of rousing enthusiasm for Mr. Humphrey — evidenced even by the reluctance of Mayor Daley, the Chicago "kingmaker," to come out with early endorsement—suggested the problem that HHH has faced. Mr. Humphrey has also been under pressure from Southern stalwarts to endorse the Johnson Vietnam role without equivocation or face the disruptive tactics of a "renominate President Johnson" boomlet.

Yet at the same time the doubts about Sen. Eugene McCarthy — that this lofty idealist possessed the tough pragmatism necessary to manage the presidency and work his will with Congress — these doubts kept the "other Minnesotan" from crashing through to victory on the shoulders, so to speak, of his enthusiastic youthful supporters.

Meantime the writing of a party platform has posed no insuperable difficulties to the Democrats, excepting the troublesome plank on Vietnam. A compromise here could paper over the sharp differences over war policy, but give satisfaction neither to hawks nor to doves.

But the central problem of the Democrats is to deal with the evident general public dissatisfaction over the "ins." The Johnson administration has a laudable record in civil rights and the launching of poverty programs. Yet with the deeper involvement in Vietnam, these programs have not been implemented and the voters typically are asking "What have you done for me lately?" The tide of concern over Vietnam has mounted, with the latest Gallup Poll finding that the American public, by a two-to-one margin, believes that Richard Nixon could do a better job of handling the Vietnam war than either Mr. Humphrey or Senator McCarthy.

So the Democratic convention, always a lively, dynamic session, doesn't quite manifest the "politics of joy" which Mr. Humphrey has espoused. The suggestions that Sen. Edward Kennedy be nominated — or Lyndon Johnson — indicate the concern over the front-runners. Still, both Hubert Humphrey and Eugene McCarthy are deeply dedicated, experienced, high-minded individuals. And so, certainly, is Sen. George McGovern, the latest candidate.

But this year there are too many dissident Democrats, there is too much of a silent, unpredictable vote in the industrial states, too much Wallace sentiment in the South, to afford the Democrats any prospect of an easy triumph in November.

'Help'

South African stirrings

When there was violence at Sharpeville eight years ago, much of the outside world wondered whether the often forecast subversion of white supremacy in South Africa was not in fact beginning. Events since then have certainly proven otherwise. Prosperity and political tranquillity for most of the 1960's have taken South Africa off the front pages of the world's newspapers — except for Dr. Christian Barnard, whose surgical prowess only reinforced the image of an achieving South Africa. But this month have come stirrings, in many ways less dramatic or lethal than Sharpeville, which should not go unnoticed.

First, South Africa has had its first casualty among the security forces sent to help Rhodesia deal with black guerrilla infiltrators heading southward from north of the Zambezi. Second, the first visit ever by a South African Foreign Minister to an independent, black African republic (Malawi). Third, Prime Minister Vorster has dismissed four Cabinet Ministers in one of the biggest shuffles of ministerial posts on record. Fourth, white students in Cape Town have staged the first sit-in in a South African university, and at Witwatersrand have been barred by the government from staging a protest march. The cause of the student trouble was Cape Town University's refusal, under government pressure, to appoint to a lectureship a black South African now a research fellow at King's College, Cambridge.

There is a thread that links all these together. It is Mr. Vorster's policy of involving South Africa — amicably, wherever possible — in African affairs beyond the periphery of its own white laager. The Cabinet Ministers dismissed by Mr. Vorster were "Verkramptes" — doctrinal Afrikaner purists who believe basically that only woes will follow at home if any Nationalist government dilutes Nationalist racial dogma abroad. Of one thing we can be sure: the Verkramptes will point to the student troubles as proof that they are right. And the students will probably ask why, if Foreign Minister Muller pays his respects to a black African President, they cannot have a black African lecturer on social anthropology.

Nonreturnable and spurnable

Alas, can mankind effectively throttle
Proliferation of the nonreturn bottle?
Take a sixpack of empties back to the
store;
You won't get thirty cents, not any
more.
So they drop by the road, or on the
town dump;
But what shall we do when the world's
grown bottle-plump?
When whole glassy acres are mottles
of bottles
And piles disgustable of plastics non-
rustable?
Oh it would be intriguing, whole
centuries hence,
For archaeological gents of inquisitive
sense
To find the incredible, the piled arti-
facts
Of a past civilization gone carelessly
lax:
The trash-heaps and mounds of glassy-
blown jars,
Persistent remnants of our Penates and
Lars.

Ah quern of the sea spewing uncon-
trolled salt,
How bring this unrefillable tide to a
halt?
Use bottles as stones to piece out a
wall?
Or high-rise them into a Babel-tower
tall?
Shall we toss in the sea midst the spray
and the spume,
Shall we speed them to Mars or "bottle"
the moon?
Shall we fashion containers that melt
in a year,
Leaving behind just a smidge and a
smear?
Or couldn't the bottlers, pragmatic and
plain,
Offer two cents apiece to make the non-
returnable
"Returnable" again?

The people's will?

Let's think

Erwin D. Canham

Chicago

Is the American political system in 1968 responding to the true will of the American people? Will the Democratic Party nominate as its presidential candidate the man the majority of the party believes best qualified to lead? Did the Republicans do so?

There was much vocal dissatisfaction with the choice of Richard M. Nixon and there is much criticism of the inevitable nomination of Hubert H. Humphrey. These decisions manifestly reflect the will of the delegates gathered at the two conventions. Some of those delegates, a modest minority, were elected by a democratic process. Others, the big majority, were chosen in conventions and caucuses which may represent organized party structures but which are not direct democracy.

Many public opinion polls gave the unsuccessful candidates, actual and prospective, a far larger share of the vote than they could amass at the conventions.

The polls had scant influence on the delegates. They responded to the indirect political process, not to the indicated will of the people.

A national primary?

The nominations were not "brokered" at Miami Beach or Chicago. Very little happened in the smoke-filled rooms. Mr. Nixon came to Miami Beach and Mr. Humphrey to Chicago with decisive majorities already tidily put together.

The only alternative to this process, when public opinion has not been aroused sufficiently to cut through the customary process, would be a national primary election. Such a change — and there might well have to be both an initial primary and a run-off in order to achieve a majority — is viewed with horror by most politicians. To run in a national primary would be almost as arduous and expensive as to run in the November election itself.

If we had national primaries, there is no proof that the outcome would be any different than is now the case. Certainly the party workers, the vital structure of partisan organization, are strongly in favor of Messrs. Nixon and Humphrey.

Minorities splitting off

The divisions we are seeing in the American political parties are minority divisions. The Rockefeller faction, the McCarthy faction, are small but ardent minorities. They can be appeased a little, as Mr. Nixon has done, but they cannot be entirely satisfied.

And now Senator McCarthy and his friends must make the decision which could settle the outcome in November. If there is to be a peace party led by Senator McCarthy it would take more votes from Vice-President Humphrey than it would from Mr. Nixon.

Obviously, Senator McCarthy would think long and hard before he takes a political decision which could elect the Nixon ticket. Yet unless he or somebody like him is available to the voters, there will be nobody for whom a serious critic of the Vietnam war could vote.

Policies redirected

The divisions in American public thought ought to be given due weight in the development of policies. And, of course, they have been. Senator McCarthy's candidacy had a good deal to do with President Johnson's decision not to run again. Even if the Minnesota Senator is decisively beaten here, and is unable to get a peace plank to his satisfaction in the platform, his views may have a great influence on the Humphrey campaign, and perhaps on the Nixon campaign as well.

Many political observers expect Mr. Humphrey to strike out on his own after the nomination. They do not expect a repudiation of past words, of course, and the policies of the administration will continue to be set by President Johnson and Secretary Dean Rusk. But Mr. Humphrey can affirm his determination to end the Vietnam war in terms which suggest a shift in policy direction.

Whatever happens, the McCarthy crusade has not been in vain. Its future is loaded with dynamite.

Our readers write

Letters from readers are welcome. All are subject to condensation. We assume no responsibility for statements made.

Case for Biafra

To The Christian Science Monitor:

I have, in the past, welcomed most of your editorial comments on the Biafra-Nigeria conflict, but I could not disagree more with some of the points raised in your recent editorial "What kind of timing?"

The short appearance of the two Gabonese with Colonel Ojukwu at the Addis Ababa peace talks should not be used as whipping boy for failure of the peace talks which were, according to you, not promising anyway, due to what you aptly describe as "Nigerian Federal intransigence and impatience." Also, "Lagos approached the talks with an ill-timed new military offensive" says the New York Times editorial.

I also question some of the premises on which you base the French motivation in siding with Biafra. First, Biafra is not an Ibo breakaway of Nigeria. Biafra comprises the Ibos, Efiks, Ibibios, Ijaws and Ekois. Three-quarters of the refugees now starving and dying in the Ibo area of Biafra come from non-Ibo areas of Biafra which Nigerian forces claim to have "liberated." The predicted massive uprising of the non-Ibo tribes of Biafra against the Ibos from which the collapse of the Biafran Government would stem has not yet materialized.

Second, when Nigeria broke off diplomatic relations with France in 1961 in protest against the latter's nuclear explosion in the Sahara, the protest-voices of the Ibos were clear and loudest. Therefore, if President de Gaulle's "long memory" is a good one then he has good cause not to side with Biafra.

Third, the portraying of Nigeria as "Africa's potential English-speaking giant" was the West's quixotic creation and was never based on substantiated evidence. The elements of instability—viz, corruption (even in high places), inefficiency, tribal hatred and feuding, election and census rigging, bad government, disorder—were all there galore.

Fourth, Britain, America, Holland and other countries all have oil concessions in Nigeria; what is wrong with France, another Western power, investing in Nigeria's oil? Why is there acquiescence in Russia's motivation and intervention and such loud innuendo against France? I wonder what motives one could ascribe to Mr. McCarthy, one of the presidential aspirants of this country, who has come out even more strongly than France in supporting Biafra's right to self-determination.

The Nigeria-Biafra conflict is already "internationalized." Britain, Russia, Egypt, France, and the United States and many other countries are all there, overtly or secretly. Britain and Russia are openly pouring in arms and thousands of "advisers" into Nigeria. Both countries have thrown the weight of their propaganda and intelligence offensive behind Nigeria and against Biafra. In fact your editorial appears to be a carbon copy of the propaganda stuff being dished out by the BBC and the British Government. On the other hand, Biafra has asserted her independence and has already received diplomatic recognition from four African nations.

The publicity given to the starvation in Biafra was initiated and has been carried on largely by the International Red Cross, and other relief agencies such as the Catholic Relief Agency and Oxfam, all of which are politically neutral. The International Red Cross has said categorically that only a cease-fire will make it possible for food and medical supplies to reach the people who need it in time. And Colonel Ojukwu proposed that even before the starvation problem was publicized. Your past editorial, "Stop the killing in Nigeria" took the same line as Ojukwu. Also a recent article in your paper revealed that Nigeria was receiving more relief aid than Biafra and reportedly there is more starvation in the Nigeria-held area of Biafra than in the Biafra-held areas.

Colonel Ojukwu's trump card is not the starvation of Biafrans but their solid and unflinching support based on the absolute confidence they have in him.

Cambridge, Mass. **Udo Ukweni Udo, M.D.**

Controlling others' lives

The wish to influence other people's lives is strong in many persons. Most thinkers, statesmen, politicians, political scientists, writers, and teachers have this urge in greater or lesser degree. From this has come much of human progress. One need but think on the contributions of the world's greatest religious figures to perceive what this earth would have been like had not such men and women striven to guide their fellows into certain paths.

Yet this coin has a dark reverse side. From a perverse twist to this urge has come endless tyranny, war, cruelty, and misery. The Hitlers, Mussolinis, and Stalins of history were driven by consuming passions to mold others' lives along lines which their narrow and inflexible minds thought right. And invariably one cry has accompanied their deeds: "We know better than you know yourself what is good for you and for every man."

Daily, on lower and subtler levels, this wish to decide what others may and may not do, what others must and must not do, is apparent on every side. As human problems multiply, as the power of government and of human invention grows, this urge to dictate solutions becomes stronger and more dangerous.

An example of this can be seen in a suggestion recently advanced by a Massachusetts natural scientist. He suggests that the time may come when, in order to ward off overpopulation, governments would be justified in seeking to control births through the universal and enforced administration of drugs, perhaps through their inclusion in drinking water.

Does this strike any reader as unthinkable and impossible? It should, but, unhappily, it cannot. For already a small precedent-making step has been taken. Acting on the assumption that the public authorities and the medical profession know best, millions of persons who do not wish it are having fluorides added to their drinking water in what amounts to compulsory medication. We do not say that this fluoridation is as drastic a step as would be that of birth-inhibiting drugs. But it is a precedent, an indication of a growing public tendency to surrender one's control to the impersonal hand of "greater knowledge."

This paper strongly advocates a sensible limitation on population. But it believes that this can best be done through respecting men's rights and through patient education and assistance. The temptation to use other and authoritarian methods must be avoided.

State of the nations

'Spheres of influence'

By Joseph C. Harsch

Washington

The State Department has formally asserted that "the United States Government has never entered into any 'sphere of influence' agreement or understanding with anyone anywhere in the world."

But a lot of people, including Czechs, believe, and are saying, that Russia dared invade Czechoslovakia because it does have a "sphere of influence" understanding with Washington.

The truth lies in the twilight zone between the two views.

Technically speaking it is true that the United States has never entered into any "sphere of influence" agreement with anyone. No such agreement is to be found in text form in the archives of any government.

But the Monroe Doctrine was an assertion by President Monroe of a special United States "interest" in Latin America. This was not negotiated with anyone. It was asserted by Washington in the form of a warning to European governments to do no further colonizing in the Americas.

And there was an implicit two-way bargain involved. The text of President Monroe's annual message to Congress of 1823 also included the statement that, "In the wars of the European powers in matters relating to themselves we have never taken part, nor does it comport with our policy to do so."

In other words the United States would keep out of Europe's quarrels as a corollary to the new United States policy of protecting Latin America from European colonization.

At the time the French were talking of helping the Spanish regain the lost Spanish colonies, and the Russians were pushing a string of their colonies down the California Coast to what is now San Francisco. Also there was a strong movement in Washington for sending aid and comfort to the Greeks then struggling for independence from Turkey.

In effect, President Monroe offered to leave the Greeks to their fate provided the Europeans would keep out of the Americas.

And that was in effect, though never in text, a "spheres of influence" arrangement. And it worked for a long time. Not until 1917 did the United States take an active part in a European war. And by that time American power so dominated the Americas that no one else challenged that dominance until 1963 when the Russians tried putting strategic missiles into Cuba.

Since then the effect of a "spheres of influence" agreement between Washington and Moscow has been observable even though no such thing was ever negotiated, or recorded, or asserted, or admitted by either side.

It is an observable fact that, except for the Cuban episode, Moscow has been cautious about the Americas. And since the Cuban missile crisis Moscow has been cutting back its activities in Latin America. Moscow has by deed, though not by precept, recognized a superior United States interest in the area.

It is an equally observable fact that Washington has been even more cautious about Eastern Europe. President Eisenhower did not help the Hungarians in 1956 except by ineffective words in the United Nations. The Hungarians were left to their own fate as firmly as the Greeks had been in 1823. This formula has now been repeated in 1968.

No one ever told the Russians that Washington would respond only with words if their tanks entered Prague. But the Russians correctly assumed that they were in no danger of any American military reaction.

Which is precisely the trouble with any "spheres of influence" system, whether explicit or tacit.

The United States is deeply interested in the welfare and good treatment of the Czech peoples. And history is still vitally affected by military control of the ancient "bastion of Bohemia."

There are clearer and nearer American national interests involved in Czechoslovakia than in Vietnam. Yet Washington has stood motionless on the sidelines.

This is not one of Washington's finest hours.